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LONDON, Dec. 2.—The Times considers the policy to be adopted on Irish questions. It says: "If we are not prepared to abandon altogether the exercise of our functions, we must stop the overpayments of Irish demands. We cannot excuse ourselves from guilt in allowing our fellow-subjects to be preyed upon. If we are to be bullied then our legislation must be made by the demands of the peasantry, and we must organize forces from Ireland to repel the invasion of organized violence against authority and order. We must declare a reform in the Land laws in the next session of Parliament; but in the meantime the authority of the law must be maintained and infractions thereof punished."

The proceedings in the Consistory Court of York against Rev. C. VOYSEY for heresy have been brought to a conclusion. Mr. VOYSEY was heard yesterday in his own defence before the Chancellor, who to-day rendered judgment declaring that all the charges and allegations brought against the defendant had been proved, and excluding him from the Church of England.

The ship *Joseph Holmes*, of Boston, Captain MOODY, which sailed from New-York on the 31st of October for Glasgow, experienced a heavy gale, sprung a leak and was abandoned. No date. The crew were saved and landed at Holyhead yesterday.

THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION.

France and Great Britain Interested—Their Efforts to Effect a Settlement.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—The Governments of France and Great Britain are making great efforts to settle the matters at issue between the Sublime Porte and the Viceroy of Egypt.

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN.

Rumored Renewal of the Discussion—Dispatches Between Austria and Prussia.

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—It is rumored that the Danish question is again under discussion. Several important dispatches on the subject have recently passed between Berlin and Vienna.

FRANCE.

Decrease of Bullion in Bank—All Quiet in Paris—Ollivier and the Dynasty—A Diamond Diadem from Egypt.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—According to the regular weekly statement published to-day, the amount of bullion on hand in the Bank of France has decreased 1,900,000 francs since last Thursday.

PARIS, Dec. 2—6 P. M.—Up to this hour the city has been perfectly tranquil. No political or popular demonstrations whatever have been made. At a meeting of a committee of the Corps Legislatif to-day EMILE OLLIVIER said that, to guard against popular excesses, they must rally around the dynasty. It is reported that the Viceroy of Egypt presented to the Empress EUGENIE a diadem of diamonds valued at six millions of francs.

ITALY.

A Missing Ship Heard From—Arrival at Genoa.

GENOA, Dec. 2.—The American ship *Scotsmen*, Captain YEAMAN, which sailed from New-Orleans on the 21st of August last for this port, arrived here safely yesterday. She had been given up for lost by the underwriters.

ROME.

The Ecumenical Council—Four Hundred Bishops Present.

ROME, Dec. 2.—Four hundred Bishops have already arrived in the city to attend the Council.

CANADA.

The Red River Half-Breeds—Efforts to Conciliate—New-Brunswick Railroads—Dissatisfaction in Ontario.

OTTOWA, Ontario, Dec. 2.—Captain EMMATINGER, of Montreal, has been summoned here to undertake a special message to Red River to endeavor to conciliate the half-breeds. The Indian question is attracting much attention. A tribe between Fort William and Red River is reported unfriendly.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 2.—The formal opening of the Western Extension Railway from St. John to the American boundary took place yesterday. The Fredericton Branch also opened for traffic.

TORONTO, Dec. 2.—In the Legislature, last night, Mr. BLAKE followed up the late Nova Scotia resolutions by moving, as a necessary consequence, an address to the Crown, praying that by an act of the Imperial Legislature it might be rendered impossible for the Parliament of Canada to disturb the financial relations established by the "B. N. A." act of 1867 as between Canada and the several Provinces. Mr. BLAKE supported his motion in a speech of some length. He criticised the course taken by the Government on a former evening. A debate of a very animated character took place. Mr. CLARK moved an amendment declaring the proposed address inexpedient. On a division the amendment was defeated by 57 to 12. The original motion was then carried. A committee was at once appointed, their report brought in and adopted, and the address agreed to and ordered to be engrossed in due form.

Mr. Young and Annexation.

MONTREAL, Dec. 2.—General WINDHAM, Commander of the forces in Canada has obtained a two months' leave of absence. General DOYLE will take command of Ontario and Quebec, with headquarters at Montreal. Hon. JOHN YOUNG denies having stated, while in New-York, that Canada would be willing to become annexed for the sake of trade with the United States.

The Winnepeg Revolt—The Latest Advices—Effect of Governor McTavish's Proclamation.

TORONTO, Canada, Dec. 2.—A special dispatch from St. Paul, dated Winnepeg, Nov. 18, says: "The council called by the half-breeds met to-day. The attendance was not large. After a short time spent in private consultation the Council adjourned till Nov. 19. Copies of Governor McTAVISH's proclamation, issued at Winnepeg, were circulated among those present, and produced a marked effect. Business is at a standstill, and there is a great scarcity of money among the people who begin seriously to reflect on the consequences of the insurrection. The letter proceeds to give an estimate which shows that only 400 men are engaged in the insurrection, and only 300 of them are armed. They have ceased to interfere with the mails or private business. A majority of the people assert a decisive movement on one side or the other.

In answer to an address signed by a large number of disaffected inhabitants, asking him to warn the insurgents against their present course, Governor McTAVISH issued a proclamation, Nov. 16, denouncing the seizures by the insurgents of public and private property, the interference with mails and travelers, and other acts against the peace of the country. He charges those engaged in the insurrection, before it is too late, to peaceably disperse, under the penalties of the law, and calls upon the citizens to ratify, proclaim, and protest with all their voices and all their power, in order to avert the threatened danger. The proclamation closes as follows:

"You are dealing with a crisis out of which may come inestimable good or immeasurable evil; and with all the weight of my official authority, all the influence of my individual position, let me finally charge you to adopt only such means as are lawful, constitutional, rational and safe."

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 2.—A special dispatch from St. Paul states that letters have been received from Fort Garry, dated Nov. 16 and 20. A council of the insurgent half-breeds met on the 16th, but after some consultation adjourned until the 18th. Governor McTAVISH's proclamation was circulated among them with, what the correspondent calls, marked effect. The letter of the 20th declares that the Red River people will never submit to receive Governor McDOWELL unless overpowered by the Canadian Government. The letter also states that a sufficiently large force of insurgents are in arms to protect their frontier from any force that can be sent against them at present.

The European and North American Railway—The Opening.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 1.—The opening of the European and North American Railway from this city to the Maine State line took place to-day. At 9 o'clock a train consisting of seven cars, and filled with invited guests, started off with great enthusiasm. There were a number of gentlemen from the States present, among whom were J. W. LUNT, of Ohio; P. C. BRINCK, of Philadelphia; J. W. EMERY, of Boston; NOAH WOOD, Captain FLOWERS, Mr. DRUMMOND, from Bangor, of the parties in interest; also J. T. LORD, of New-York; Mr. BLODGET, FRANK CARR, of Boston; W. L. PURNAM, Mayor of Portland; THOMAS C. HERSEY, of the Portland Board of Trade. Of the Dominion of Canada there were present Governor WILMOT, of New-Brunswick, with the Attorney-General, Provincial Secretary, Surveyor-General, Auditor-General, and Speaker of the Assembly; also a large number of the members of both houses of Parliament, and a large number of the members of the local Legislature. There was also a large representation from other Canadian and United States roads, as well as the Press of the United States and Canada, being largely represented. The company then returned to this city where a sumptuous banquet had been prepared by G. E. R. DUFFEE, Esq., to whom the credit of this early opening is chiefly due. About 500 guests were present, who did ample justice to the dinner. Thus another link is added to the great chain of railways on this continent.

FIRE DAMP.

An Explosion in a Pennsylvania Mine—Five Persons Badly Injured.

SCRANTON, Penn., Dec. 2.—This morning at 7 o'clock there was a fire-damp explosion at the Empire Mine, at Wilkesbarre. When work was suspended last night those in charge neglected to close the doors opening into the slope, and fire-damp accumulated where least expected. Five men were injured. THOMAS CARR was badly burned about the head and face, WILLIAM JAMES was severely burned, JAMES LEWIS had his leg broken and CHARLES QUINN and LUKE SCANLON were severely bruised. It is thought all of them will recover.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

Stolen Gold Recovered—The Returned Pioneers—Political Difficulty in Washington Territory.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—A few nights ago a broker's office, on Montgomery-street, was robbed of $5,700 in gold. It was ascertained that the robbery was committed by parties from Chicago, brought here for the purpose, and one of whom was arrested while on his way to the cars with his share of the plunder. The Police have since succeeded in recovering the whole amount stolen. The returned pioneers have adopted resolutions of thanks for the treatment they received at the hands of the people along the line of their recent excursion. The Legislature of Washington Territory has adopted a resolution asking that the Headquarters of the Department of the Columbia be removed from Portland to Vancouver, W. T. Governor FLANDERS, of that Territory, has vetoed over 100 acts of the Legislature, including the whole of a new code of laws prepared by commission, and enacted by the unanimous vote of both Houses. The Republican Party in the Territory is disorganized, and the action of the Governor is supposed to be a political movement.

Search for the Orion Unsuccessful—Treasure—Indians Murdering and Plundering.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The revenue cutter *Wayanda* has returned from an unsuccessful cruise in search of the distressed ship *Orion*. The treasure export for November was $2,389,000, and for the year $24,004,000. The Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Oregon has succeeded in removing about two hundred Snake Indians to the Klamath Reservation. The others will go on the reservation in their own country, and nowhere else. Arizona advices to Nov. 20 have been received. Governor SAFFORD and Colonel CARROLL have left for Washington. The Bully Bueno Mill has been burned, and the Valture Mill has stopped for repairs. The Indians near Prescott and Wickenburg are murdering and plundering the whites.

FIRES.

Burning of an Elevator in Cleveland—Loss $40,000.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 2.—A fire broke out at a late hour last night in the Commercial Elevator, owned by MERRIAM & Co., and partially destroyed the machinery and contents. The building contained between fifty and sixty thousand bushels of grain, a large portion of which was damaged by water and smoke. The entire loss is $25,000 or $40,000. The insurances are in the following offices: On the building and machinery, in the State Fire Insurance Company, of Cleveland, the Firemen's, of New-York, the Hide and Leather and Phœnix, of New-York, $1,500 each; and on the stock, in the Imperial, of London, $20,000; Underwriters' Agency and the Hartford, $10,000 each; Phœnix, of New-York, $9,000; Western, of Buffalo, $6,250; North British, Atlantic, New-York Corn Exchange, Commercial and Mutual, of Cleveland, $5,000 each; Hide and Leather and Irving, of New-York, $4,000 each; Firemen's, of New-York, $3,000; Buffalo Fire and Marine and Mutual, of Toledo, $2,000 each.

Fire in a Mill—Damage of the Operatives.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 2.—A fire broke out this afternoon in the picker room of the yellow mill of the Pawtucket Manufacturing Company in Pawtucket. The stairways were immediately filled with a dense smoke, and the operatives in the higher stories for a short time were felt to be in great danger. Ladders of sufficient length were procured in time to save all. The building was burned about an hour, but did not destroy the building.

THE SOUTHERN ELECTIONS.

Alcorn's Majorities in Mississippi—The Vote in Texas—The State Claimed for Hamilton by 30,000.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Dec. 2.—The vote, so far as heard from, gives the following majorities for ALCORN: Wilkinson County, 2,600; Noxubee, 2,321; Jefferson, 1,512; Yazoo, 2,000; Marion, 2,000; Adams, 2,015; Warren, 2,100; Copiah, 800; Claiborne, 1,450; Marshall, 600; Hinds, 1,500; Lowndes, 2,000; Lauderdale, 972; Clarke, 400—a gain in thirteen counties of more than 13,000 over last year's Radical vote. Yallobusha County gives DEBT 100 majority, a loss of 300. There is no report as to how the Legislature will stand, but it is generally conceded to the Radicals.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 1.—The total vote here for two days is 1,294. As far as heard from, the election throughout the State is passing off quietly. In Waco County the vote in two days reaches 940. In McClellan County the colored majority is 260. In Falls County the voters are splitting, but Davis is probably ahead. Registration is not yet completed in Navarro County, consequently no election is going on there.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 1.—In Hays, Williamson, and Travis Counties, all the whites and many colored voters are voting for Hamilton. His estimated majority in three counties is 1,200. Haynes is certainly elected to Congress. Hamilton's friends claim the State by 30,000 majority.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 1.—The vote here in two days is 1,600. It is estimated that Hamilton will carry the State by 30,000. In Jefferson the election is progressing quietly. The colored vote is largely in the majority.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—General AMES telegraphs the President that although the returns are meagre, sufficient has been received to render General ALCORN's election certain by not less than 10,000 majority. The gain in twelve counties is 8,000 over the last vote. The election of all the Republican candidates for Congress and a Republican Legislature is also probable. The voting in Texas will not close until to-morrow night, and nothing of a reliable character can be ascertained until Saturday.

The Latest—Alcorn's Majority 32,000.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 2.—A special dispatch from Jackson, Miss., to the *Avalanche* reports ALCORN's majority in the counties from which returns have been received 32,032, a gain for the Radicals in the same counties of 27,882. No disturbances have occurred, and everything is extremely quiet.

AMERICAN SHIPBUILDING.

The Sub-Committee on Ways and Means in Philadelphia—Close of the Investigation—Remedies for the Decline of the American Shipping Interest.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—The Committee appointed by Congress to inquire into and report upon the decline of the shipping interests of the country, held a meeting in the office of the Surveyor of the Port, in the Custom House building, to-day, Hon. JOHN LYNCH, Chairman, presiding. In the afternoon session of the Committee WM. G. GINNODS, iron shipbuilder in Wilmington, Del., stated that his business had, during the past four years, been largely engaged in the construction of iron river boats to ply on nearly all navigable rivers of South America, emptying into the Atlantic and several of those emptying into the Pacific. The cost was greater than it would have been to have constructed them in Great Britain, but they were of too light a draft to take safely across the Atlantic and the American models of river boats are considered much superior to those in use in Europe. The cost of constructing iron vessels in this country, is about twenty per cent. greater than on the Clyde, the difference being altogether in the cost of material. Four-tenths of the cost of an iron ship is in its materials. American labor is deemed superior to that of European that, notwithstanding the high price paid for it, the same amount expended will bring equal results, and, with a remission of the duties on materials, our ship-builders could successfully compete with those of Great Britain in the construction of iron ships. About 250 hands are employed by his establishment. Another house in Wilmington, engaged altogether in the construction of iron ocean going ships, employed from 400 to 700 hands.

JOHN TUCKER, formerly Assistant Secretary of War under Secretary CAMERON, now Vice-President of the Reading Railroad, stated that his railroad had built at Chester, Penn., two iron scow colliers for about the same as the cost of construction would have been in Great Britain. They were now having built at the same works two others of 1,000 tons each at about the same rate.

GEORGE STOCKHAM, largely engaged in furnishing materials for the construction of wooden vessels, stated that the cost of such materials had advanced about 50 per cent. since the year 1861.

The Committee closed its investigation to-day, having visited and taken testimony in Portland, Boston and New-York in October. The testimony taken covers about 800 manuscript pages, and is now being printed in Washington. The repetitions urged for the great decay in American shipping interests have, in nearly every instance, resolved themselves into three propositions:

First—A drawback of the duty upon all materials entering into the construction of vessels, and a subsidy equal to the amount of the duty when American materials are used.

Second—Permission to purchase and admit to American register foreign built vessels.

Third—Subsidies to American lines of ocean steamers.

The Committee to-night proceed to Washington, and will, in due time, report these propositions for the action of Congress.

VIRGINIA.

The Walker State Central Committee—All Parties Embraced.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 1.—There is published this morning a list of the State Central Committee of the Walker Party, just organized. In it are the names of gentlemen heretofore Whigs, Republicans and Democrats, including Hon. A. H. H. Stuart, of Staunton; Franklin Stearns, Judge H. H. Marshall, Charles J. Carrington, President of the James River and Kanawha Canal; Jas. A. Cowardin, editor of the *Dispatch*; R. B. Haxall, Thomas Branch and James Neeson, of Richmond; Walter H. Taylor, of Norfolk, former Adjutant-General of Lee's army; Charles P. Stone, a former cavalry General in the Union army; Norman Smith, a former Colonel in the Union army; J. D. Imboden, Ex-General in the Confederate army; Thomas S. Flourney, the Whig candidate for Governor in 1855; D. C. Dejarnette, a former Democratic member of Congress. The organization of the Committee is submitted to the counties for approval. The list includes gentlemen of wealth and political influence.

ALABAMA.

Privileges of Black Men—The Election Committee of the House at Work.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 2.—The time of the Senate was consumed in discussing a bill to give negroes equal privileges on railroads, &c. Mr. WORTHY, Democrat, advocated an amendment to the bill providing that the common carriers be forced to provide equally comfortable, but separate apartments, for the races, and not be compelled to carry black and white mixed in the same boat, cabin or car. The Senate adjourned pending the discussion. In the House the Committee on Elections reported in favor of ousting Mr. BROWN, Democrat, from the chamber, and in favor of seating Mr. LAWRENCE, Republican, from Marion. The Committee also reported against the right of Mr. ALEXANDER, colored, to Mr. FRORSAUR's seat, from Mobile. Mr. ALEXANDER was allowed to make a two-hours speech, in which he fiercely abused the Democrats.

The Second National Bank of Cleveland—The Small Defalcation.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 2.—A statement of the Directors of the Second National Bank issued to-day, shows the loss by the defalcation of J. C. BURLL, late cashier, to be $677,000. This leaves the capital, $200,000, unimpaired, and a surplus of $52,846. In addition to the foregoing, BURLL also discounted one class of paper to the amount of $90,000 more than was known or authorized by the directors, in which it appears he was interested. This amount will be largely met by the parties to the paper and from the assets belonging to BURLL'S estate.

The statement further shows that the stock of the bank is worth par, and the directors propose to increase the capital stock to $300,000.

THE BIBLE IN SCHOOL.

The Case of the Cincinnati Board of Education—The Argument Resumed.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 2.—The interest in the Bible question before the Supreme Court does not abate. Citizens throng the Court Room, and the floor and galleries are crowded. Judge MATTHEWS, for the defence, began his argument yesterday, and at the noon recess to-day he had spoken four hours. His argument will consume the afternoon. Hon. RUFUS KING will make the closing argument for the plaintiff, probably to-morrow. The decision of the Court will probably not be rendered for two or three weeks.

Judge MATTHEWS took up the first two questions suggested by the Court: First, whether the reading of the Bible was teaching sectarian dogma; and, second, what good it was to dispense with reading the Bible, when Catholics refused to send their children to school where there was no religious instruction. In answer to the first he said: Religious instruction, as proposed by the plaintiff, was sectarian. The Bible was read as a Holy Book of Revelation from Heaven, which is a dogma held only by Protestant Christians. The Jew held the New Testament to be blasphemous, and Catholics denied that the Bible is the source of truth except as interpreted by their infallible Church; therefore, to read the Bible in the way the plaintiffs propose, would be to establish a dogma held by one sect as a law of the State. In reply to the second question, he said he had no doubt the Catholics held precisely the same views that were held by the gentlemen on the other side—that the State should provide religious instruction. They now wanted to secularize schools; afterward they would try to strike a bargain with those now attempting to have the schools made a vehicle of religious instruction. They would say, let us divide the school fund and give our children the religious instruction we think is right, and you give yours. This would follow if the decision in this case was in favor of the plaintiffs. He disclaimed being a Catholic or Jew or infidel. He was an Orthodox Calvinist. He had belief in the divinity of Christ, and if asked the ground of his faith would not enter into doubtful argument, but say he had full evidence of Christ's existence and grace in his heart; and, he continued, I have more than three hundred witnesses; I have five witnesses before the Throne waiting for me and calling for me to join them. This is my creed. He concluded by saying that because he was a Christian he desired to exercise the attributes of Christ—to be just, to be charitable, to take into the arms of his human sympathy all classes of men. He would abate nothing of his belief, but he would, at the same time, be magnanimous by not compelling everybody else to subscribe to his creed. He charged that the ultimate result of the argument of the plaintiff was, that Protestant Christianity was an established religion; that its teaching was essential to good government; that because the Church has not the power to compel people to attend its instructions, while the State has, therefore the State must exercise it. He claimed that the School Board, in the matter, had used the discretion given it by law, and no Court had a right to review the exercise of a legal discretion. He illustrated this by supposing a case where a School Board had omitted to provide for gymnastics, there was as much reason for compelling them to provide for gymnastics as for compelling them to provide for religious instructions. Judge MATTHEWS was proceeding to say that one of the members of the Court had intimated that there were persons who were not entitled to set up a right of conscience.

Judge STORER denied making such an assertion, and controversy followed. Judge MATTHEWS took his seat, declining to speak further, but at the solicitation of counsel and of the Court, he resumed his argument, referring to the case in 2 Howard; VIDMALL vs. The Executors of the Girard Estate, in 2 Harrington.

THE EAST.

Bills for Sale—The United States Steamer Alaska—The Boston Nominations for Mayor.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—The stockholders of the James Mill, at Newburyport, have authorized the Directors to sell the machinery and real estate whenever they deem it best. The United States steamer *Tallapoosa* sailed to-day for New-York. The new first-class screw steamer *Alaska*, nearly ready for sea, is pronounced the best vessel ever constructed at the Charlestown Navy Yard. She will be commanded by Captain H. C. BLAKE, who commanded the *Hatteras* when she was sunk by the Confederate steamer *Alabama*, off the Texas coast. There is much dissatisfaction expressed by the Republicans and Democrats with the nominees for Mayor, and a citizen's candidate will undoubtedly be put in nomination.

THE WEST.

Snow Sheds of the Union Pacific Railroad—A Formidable Indian Alliance.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Three and a half miles of the snow sheds of the Union Pacific Railroad were completed this week, and the Company expect to finish seven miles by the 1st of February, covering all the deep cuts, thus placing the road out of all danger of interruption from drifting snow. Mr. WHITSON, Indian Agent at Dakota, says that a formidable alliance has been concluded between the Northern Sioux and Crows for war against the settlers in Eastern Montana and Wyoming. The Indians are instigated to this by an outlawed half-breed named RENSHAW. This alliance threatens the extermination of the whites.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2.—A shed, containing a locomotive belonging to the Pacific Railroad Company, at Hermon, Mo., was burned last night. Loss, $15,000.

OCEAN POSTAGE.

A New Convention with Great Britain—The Rates Reduced to Six Cents.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—An additional Postal Convention has just been concluded by Postmaster-General CRESWELL with the General Post Office Department of Great Britain, establishing on and after the 1st of January next, a reduced rate of letter postage of six cents between the United States and the United Kingdom. The negotiations for this important postal reform, began by Mr. CRESWELL about two month ago, have recently been conducted by telegraph. A cable dispatch was received today from the Postmaster-General at London, by Mr. CRESWELL, accepting counter proposals, also made by telegraph, in relation to unpaid and insufficiently prepaid letters. The use of the telegraph was found necessary in order to conclude the new arrangement in time to put it in operation on the 1st of January next. The following notice has been sent to the different postmasters:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2, 1869.

On and after the 1st of January, 1870, the single rate of postage, "half an ounce or under," for prepaid letters between the United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, will be reduced to six cents (threepence); if not prepaid or insufficiently prepaid, a fine of six cents (threepence) will be added to the deficient postage and collected on delivery. The rates of postage, conditions of payment on newspapers, book packets and samples of merchandise remain unchanged. Postmasters will levy and collect postage accordingly, on and after January 1, 1870.

By order of the Postmaster-General,
JOSEPH H. BLACKFAN,
Superintendent of Foreign Mails.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2.—O. N. DOWLEY, traveling agent for a large New-York jewelry house, had his trunk opened at the Southern Hotel to-day, and $4,000 worth of diamond rings and brooches were stolen. The thief left some $20,000 worth of less expensive jewelry behind. There is no clue to the robber.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 2.—WILLIAM EZZARD, Democrat, has been elected Mayor of Atlanta.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 2.—The annual meeting of the Republican State Central Committee was held this evening. The time for holding the State Convention was fixed at Concord, Friday, Jan. 7.

WASHINGTON.

The Annual Report of the United States Treasurer.

Suggestions for Correcting the Morals of Bankers.

Revenue Collections of 1868 and 1869 Compared.

THE FRIENDS' INDIAN COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—General SPINNER, United States Treasurer, in his forthcoming report, makes the following forcible suggestions on the question of taxation of national banks and the manner of its collection:

The act entitled "An act to provide a national currency secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," passed June 3, 1864, declares in section 41 "that in lieu of all existing taxes every association shall pay to the Treasurer of the United States, in the months of January and July, a duty of one-half of one per centum each half year from and after the 1st day of January, 1864, upon the average amount of its notes in circulation, and a duty of one-quarter of one per centum each half-year upon the average amount of its deposits, and a duty of one-quarter of one per centum each half year as aforesaid on the average amount of its capital stock, beyond the amount invested in United States bonds; and in case of default in the payment thereof by any association, the duties aforesaid may be collected in the manner provided for the collection of United States internal revenue taxes; and the Treasurer may reserve the amount of said duties out of the interest, as it may become due on the bonds deposited with him by such defaulting association. And it shall be the duty of each association, within ten days from the 1st days of January and July in each year, to make a return, under the oath of its President or Cashier, to the Treasurer of the United States, in such form as he may prescribe, of the average amount of its notes in circulation, and of the average amount of its deposits, and of the average amount of its capital stock beyond the amount invested in United States bonds, for the six months next preceding said days of January and July as aforesaid, and in default of such return and for each default thereof, each defaulting association shall forfeit and pay to the United States the sum of $500, to be collected and paid as taxes are by law collected and paid; such association on the bonds deposited with the Treasurer, or at his option, in the manner in which penalties are to be collected of other corporations under the laws of the United States, and in case of such default the amount of the duties to be paid by such association shall be assessed upon the amount of notes delivered to such association by the Comptroller of the Currency, and upon the highest amount of its deposits and capital stock, to be ascertained in such other manner as the Treasurer may deem best."

It will be seen that while there is no difficulty in obtaining from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency all the necessary information by which a proper assessment can be made, and that, too, so that the rates will be high enough to make the extra assessment of itself a pretty severe penalty and enough to prevent the recurrence of the neglect, the penalty of $500 imposed by the law for a neglect on the part of any bank to make a proper return in the proper time, while for the neglect or refusal on the part of any bank that may have made the return to pay the duty upon such return there is no adequate penalty. The only practical way under the law in such cases is to retain the interest due the defaulting bank on its stocks deposited with the Treasurer. Now it so happens that the banks are by law allowed ten days from the first days of January and July in which to make their returns, and that much of the interest falls due and is paid on these very days. Most of the remainder of the interest falls due four months later, to wit, on the first days of May and November. Thus the remedy or the coercive power to collect the duties is put off either for four or six months, as the interest may become due on the stocks of such defaulting banks, and the Government is in the meantime wrongfully kept out of its dues. A very few, but the number may grow larger, unlike the great mass of the banks, seem to care more for the money they may make by retaining the dues of the Government for four or six months than they do for their reputations, and avail themselves of this oversight in the law to defraud the United States. Such banks make their returns regularly, for there is a penalty for the neglect to do so, but they neglect to pay the duty within the month, as required by law, because it is their interest not to pay, and because there is no penalty for that neglect. The forty-first section of the National Bank act should, in order to be effective, be so amended as to change the penalty from the non-essential part, for not minding a report, to the very important one of enforcing the prompt payment of the duty to the Government.

The various modes for the collection of taxes in their best forms are more or less offensive to the parties taxed. The process for their assessment and collection should therefore be the most simple in form and the least offensive and vexatious possible to the taxpayers. It is believed that the National banks are unnecessarily harassed in the matter of the payments of their dues to the Government. They are called upon semi-annually by this office to pay one-half of one per cent. on their circulation, and one-quarter of one per cent. each on their deposits and on their capital stock, all under the head of duty. The collections from the National banks, under this duty, during the fiscal year ending with June 30, 1869, amounted in the aggregate to $5,911,980 64. This large amount was paid into the Treasury without any expense for its collection to the banks or the Government. The national banks are also required to pay to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue a special tax of $50 upon every thousand dollars of capital stock, and a tax of five per cent. on all dividends, and five per cent. on all undistributed sums, or sums made or added during the year to their surplus or contingent funds. With all the investigation that has so far been had no accurate result could be arrived at as to the aggregate amount so collected from the national banks by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue on the three items mentioned. The collections from national banks are included in the accounts as kept with these same items of taxes and various other items of taxes to have been collected from bankers, trust companies, savings institutions, or any fire, marine, life, or inland insurance companies. Enough has, however, been ascertained to warrant the conclusion that the gross amount of taxes so collected by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue from all the national banks, does not exceed one-half the amount collected by the Treasurer as duty from these same banks. Now, it is submitted whether it would not be better to have the statutes so amended as to make all these collections semi-annually, and to give the collection of the whole six items of tax or duty, from the national banks, entirely and exclusively, either to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue or to the Treasurer of the United States.

In the last annual statement from this office the fact was stated that 187 of the national banks had, within that fiscal year, failed to comply with the provisions of the twenty-fifth section of the act entitled "An act to provide a national currency," passed June 3, 1864. This act makes it the duty of every bank organized under it, which has bonds deposited in the office of the Treasurer, at least once once or oftener in each fiscal year, to examine and compare the bonds so deposited with the books of the Comptroller and the accounts of the association, and if found correct to execute to the Treasurer a certificate setting forth that and other facts.

Within this fiscal year only 1,184 of the banks have made this communication, and 187 have ignored this duty and the plain provisions of law. It thus appears that the number of banks that have failed to comply with the law in this regard is more than triple this year what it was last year. At this rate the law will in a few years be entirely disregarded by all the banks. As the law is a salutary one, essential to the safety of the banks as well as the Treasury, it is most respectfully suggested that the law may be so amended as to compel a compliance with the provisions of the act and a performance of the duty. A fine of $50 or $100 to be withheld from the interest of their stocks held by the Treasurer, would force compliance and remedy the evil."

The report of General SPINNER, which will shortly be issued, will be the most interesting document ever issued from the Treasurer's office. It is replete with pertinent suggestions, interesting statistics and excellent recommendations. It is, in brief, a compendium of the entire financial transactions at the Treasury for the past nine years.

THE INDIAN COMMISSION.

The Sub-Committee of the Commission of citizens appointed by the President to inspect its Indian affairs, consisting of Messrs. BRUNOT, BISHOP and DODGE, have filed their report of the visit to the Indians in Kansas and the Indian Territory. The report has been added to that of the Commission proper and incorporated into the report of General PARKER. The failure of Messrs. TOBY, LAIRD and STUART to visit the Indians was owing to sickness. The Commission recommends continued efforts to collect the Indians on reservations, and a strict regard to the terms of the treaties by which it is effected. Also an abandonment of the treaty system for the future and of the payment of annuities. The Sub-Committee enter into a very plain statement of the wrong suffered by various tribes, and in this the workings of the treaty system are brought out in strong colors and denounced as iniquitous. The Cheyennes and Arraphoes at the great council showed an earnest desire for peace. The stories of outrages by Indians were almost always grossly exaggerated. Many men who passed for reputable members of society were constantly trying to bring about wars, and the Agents heretofore had usually violated their trust. The testimony of the Commission and of the delegation from the Society of Friends, that had spent the Summer among the Indians, was unanimous and decided as to the success of the new policy of the Administration. All are thoroughly convinced that the Indians, by kind and just treatment, can be made peaceable and that they can be civilized, and brought to support themselves by agriculture. They are in favor of schools on the reservations, and finally of Indians having citizenship and representation. Some of the Commission are in favor of taxing them and giving them the benefit of local government and schools so soon as it can be done. VINCENT COLLYER, as a member of the Commission, made an inspection of the tribes in Arizona. He says there are no better people in New-Mexico than the Pueblo Indians. They are better than a majority of citizens, and yet have no rights except exemption from taxation. Many of them are rich, have large flocks and herds, and cultivate large farms. He thinks they should be taxed, and from the proceeds have the benefit of schools. He says the Navajoes are more like Irish than any people he can compare them to. Brave, hardy, industrious, restless, quick-witted and ready for mischief, play or hard work. He thinks if they had a practical code of laws given them, and a Police force half as great as the number of the soldiers now set to watch them, the Government would have no more trouble with them than with the rougher classes in large cities, and they will behave quite as well. He regards the Apaches as the worst tribe on the continent; but from his observations he is confident that peaceful relations can be secured and maintained. The papers presented by the Commission as a body, and by its individual members, will be among the most interesting of any printed by Government on that subject.

LOPEZ AND PARAGUAY.

The Sub-Committee of Foreign Affairs of the House have completed their investigation of the Paraguayan difficulties, and are now engaged on their report. It appears that the Committee is not altogether unanimous, and that a majority and a minority report will be made. The statements of LOPEZ's barbarity which are in evidence before the Committee are horrible, and, if true, prove him to be a monster in human shape. According to some of the testimony he has executed more than three-fourths of the wealthy and the educated, and has not spared even the members of his own family. He went into the war with 80,000 men, who are now nearly all killed, and the entire population, young and old, has been fearfully decimated. It is also part of the record that LOPEZ gave a deed to General MCMAHON, our Minister, appointing him executor in the event of his death, and charging him with the care of his children, which are illegitimate, and the disposition of all his personal property to one Mrs. LYNCH, whom LOPEZ met in Paris, and with whom he openly lives in violation of all the rules of morality and religion.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS 1868-'69 COMPARED.

The following is an abstract of the collections of internal revenue from all the principal sources, which go to make up the total list, as compared with the collections from the same sources in 1868:

Articles.	1869.	1868.
On spirits	$49,026,401 74	$14,290,730 96
On tobacco	32,435,707 87	14,947,107 53
Fermented liquors	6,090,822 54	4,868,833 10
Banks and bankers	9,236,516 62	1,866,745 55
Gross receipts	6,200,908 83	9,360,000 34
Sales	6,206,829 03	4,827,809 83
Other special taxes	8,207,434 67	16,864,847 26
Income	34,707,855 84	41,455,096 36
Legacies	1,244,527 61	1,516,327 64
Articles in schedule	852,850 73	1,134,329 86
Passports	29,453 00	28,320 00
Gas	2,116,005 52	1,909,061 42
Penalties	677,083 79	1,256,881 69
Not otherwise mentioned	1,264,978 68	6,020 37
Stamps	16,420,710 01	14,302,322 02
Total collections	160,089,344 29	
Total tax refunded	309,535 13	
Net collections	159,679,109 17	

Of the tax collected on spirits in 1869, $20,543,-998 86 were collected from spirits at the rate of 50 cents per gallon, against $13,419,003 74 in 1868 at $2 per gallon. Of the tax on tobacco, there were collected $13,638,934 94 on chewing, $8,206,-544 83 on smoking tobacco, and $4,637,917 67 on cigars. There were collected from retail liquor dealers $1,676,690 80. Of the taxes on gross receipts, railroads paid $2,265,487 20; insurance companies, $1,339,330 14; express companies, $979,-507 60; steamboats, $223,064 97; telegraph companies, $205,443; theatres, operas, &c., $231,089 74; stage coaches, $133,128 51; ferries, $144,978 28; bridges, $51,397 18; lotteries, $80,220 20; ships, barges, &c., $96,267 43; canals, $640,698. On special taxes, retail dealers paid $1,668,099 14; wholesale dealers, sales not over $30,000, paid $1,403,994; wholesale dealers, sales over $30,000, $4,081,836 14; stock brokers paid $75,507 05; produce brokers paid $96,954 94; claim agents, $36,095 45; lawyers, $337,016 69; lottery ticket dealers, $68,240 35; hotels, $537,152 71; manufacturers, $1,922,675 61; physicians and surgeons, $420,410 28; stallions and jacks, $325,602 38; peddlers of fish, $12,397 64. Of the income tax there was derived from personal income, $25,025,-009 95; from bank dividends, $6,769,198 69; from railroad companies, (dividends,) $2,631,140 03; from railroad companies, (interest on bonds,) $1,502,545 51; insurance companies, (dividends,) $

AMERICAN COMMERCE.

The Causes of its Decline and the Remedies.

Important Report by a Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

A MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS PROPOSED

Permission for the Importation of Foreign Steamers and Shipbuilding Material Asked For.

Subsidies to American Steamship Lines Recommended.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, yesterday afternoon, Mr. A. A. Low announced that the Executive Committee reported back the bill with respect to the appointment of a commission by the President to take charge of harbor encroachments, and recommended its reference to a special committee to report on the expediency of its passage. A committee of three was appointed to take charge of the matter.

TIDAL AND CURRENT WATERS.

Mr. GEORGE W. DOW presented a report from the Committee appointed by the Chamber to confer with the Superintendent of the Coast Survey in regard to the tidal and current waters of New-York Harbor. The Committee had several interviews with the Superintendent, Professor PIERCE, and his associates, which resulted in a letter from the Professor, which he read. After reading the letter, a set of resolutions, moved by Mr. DOW, was read and unanimously adopted, thanking Mr. PIERCE and approving of matters in connection with his investigations.

THE DECLINE OF AMERICAN COMMERCE.

The Chairman announced the next order of business to hear the report of the Special Committee on the subject of the "Decline of American Commerce, and the remedies the Chamber would recommend to Congress."

Mr. A. A. LOW, a member of the Committee, submitted the following report of the majority:

The Committee appointed to consider the causes of the "decline of American commerce, and what remedies the Chamber would recommend to Congress," beg to report:

By the decline of American commerce your Committee understand, first, a relative decrease of the interest—the decrease of tonnage employed in the foreign trade of the country, and nothing which is merely local. The laws of the United States protect coastwise trade, and it is not affected by the extent of the competition from our railroad lines. Hence it is not injuriously affected by laws that operate as a burden upon external commerce—that is, upon sailing ships and steamers engaged in the trade between foreign and other foreign trades. In order to a proper and clear understanding of the subject, it is of primary importance to consider the change in the carrying trade that has taken place since the introduction of steam as a motive power. In the earlier years of the Republic, and down to a comparatively recent period, merchants transacting business with the East Indies, China, and other countries, made their voyages, generally, with the cargoes they brought to our ports. These vessels being of small tonnage, and ably commanded, were insured at an annual premium of only half of what is now required on steamers. The voyages were long, and were especially between our principal seaports and the principal ports of Great Britain and France, the business was of a different character. The cotton, tobacco, and other staples, grown in the south, were transported in "freighting ships," the return cargoes which had little or no interest in cargo, while lines of packets running once to Liverpool, London and Havre, carried the mails, and the business between the old and new world, and took the lead of all competition in the transportation of the most costly merchandise. The capital cost of the large packet ships was from $75,000 to $100,000, and it cost from $75,000 to $100,000 more for the construction of one or the other there were many contributory interests. The carpenter, joiner, sailmaker, chandler, captain and mate, each had a share in the profits, and the amount of capital required to build a line of packets was easily obtained from these and other sources. The owners of the vessel being quickly turned into the employment of a new one, the transition from steam with sailing vessels began to be felt in 1840; and as years went on, it became more and more severe, terminating with disaster to the latter. In the meantime the packet ships took the passengers of costly merchandise and their first-class passengers; many owners lost their money. To construct ocean steamers instead, required vastly more capital and very different management. The sailing vessel could, and the packet ship had no effective interest, and could have none to aid in the construction of a vessel. Steam has been made up largely of machinery, and cotton goods, which have been made up largely of merchandise, which had their wants supplied by agents and part owners, who, as the case may, changed and reared on the spot, and from prejudice not less than custom, it was greatly to the disadvantage of the new line of adapting its plans to the dawning era. Hence it was that when the decline of our merchant marine commenced and the peril to our sailing vessels became apparent, the remedy was to construct iron ships were disabled by their losses and by their prejudices alike from entering into competition with companies already formed in England, who, with more capital, and with the highest skill in the art, appliances necessary to the construction of first-class steamers, and, more than all, enjoyed the countenance and support of an enlighted and friendly Government. The difficulties of the task, and, it may be said, as a matter of history, it may be repeated here, that capitalists could not be induced to risk the money required to establish a line of steamers from New-York to Liverpool, without the aid of the United States Government. Nor was any line of steamers ever established from this to an European port without the aid of a subsidy, although that policy was not, when it was made was inaugurated when we had a sound currency and a tariff less burdensome than now. Even the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, enjoying the advantages of a coast line, was thus established, and, but for the discoveries of gold in California, would not have been at that early day, if at all, without such aid. Before our sailing ships were expelled from the great Transatlantic routes, a very class of vessels had come into being, known at the time as "clippers." From a period commencing with the beginning of the present century, 1801, they were extremely profitable, commanding a great price, as carriers, between our Atlantic ports and the Spanish Main, and between the ports of India and China and our own ports. These were generally sloped largely increased tonnage, and, being heavily sparred, with deep keels, were subject to many casualties, tending greatly to enhance their profits. The discovery of gold in San Francisco that proceeded to the Gulf of Islands, or to China and India, in quest of return freights, and in all the Asiatic ports, coming in competition with the regular traders, greatly reduced the rates of ocean freights. The demand, and the cereals of California have afforded employment for much of those vessels as still remain. Meantime the ports of India and China have been occupied by merchants, who, in the early days, had their business managed by our old East India merchants have been accustomed into whalers. The business, too, has changed—passing from the few who imported cargoes in their ships, to the many of every commercial nation, who make up by their various contributions, the cargo of the modern "Indiaman." In this transfer of our commerce to English and German hands, a serious consideration has been one of the effects of the general diffusion of knowledge, by means of steam and telegraphic communication. With these preliminary observations, your Committee assign as the causes of the decline of the decline of our shipping interest, the following, viz:

First—The establishment of foreign lines of steamers on all the great ocean highways. These by their superior adaptation to the comforts and needs of the travel, have rapidly expelled sailing vessels from the routes that were once the theatre of our maritime success. A few years ago these lines were limited in their sphere to the ports of Boston, New-York and Philadelphia, on the Atlantic coast, but they are now extended to Baltimore, Charleston, Savannah and New-Orleans. Other steamers are built and in building in the rivers and harbors of the Atlantic, to navigate across the Mediterranean and Red Seas, via the Suez Canal; thus cutting off much of the trade that has hitherto passed round the Cape of Good Hope. For sailing vessels, the route through the Red Sea is not supposed to be available, unless at high tide, for full cargoes, for full cargoes.

Second—The substitution of iron vessels for vessels of wood. Your Committee will not dwell on the superior advantages of iron hulls, as they are fully set forth in the reports of Lloyd's Register, in the Times, and in a recent publication by the Atlantic Works of Boston. When properly constructed, these last the market, for a period of twenty years, while those of wood, made of the best material, will hardly fit for only ten or twelve years, and usually require rebuilding at the end of that period.

Third—The operation of our navigation laws on the construction of vessels, whether of wood or of iron, which, being designed for the incidental protection of other interests, are a burden on this special one. When the tonnage tax of 2 cents per ton was first imposed upon cotton, it was seen to be a mistake; and Congress, yielding to the plea that it was a bounty to the foreign producer, removed it. A tax imposed upon all the foreign ships built for the construction of a vessel, or a step or steamer is a bounty to the foreign producer, and cooperating with manifold advantages possessed by the foreign builder, becomes prohibitory on our mechanics, disabling them from attempting competition, and deterring the merchant from risking his capital in what appears to be a hopeless undertaking.

Fourth—The depreciation of our currency, has an injurious effect upon the other difficulties of the situation, enhancing and forbidding investments the value of which must depend upon the price of gold. Incidentally, as tending to precipitate the decline, the long continued controversies and "strikes" of workmen may be mentioned. A constant recurrence of such strikes among caulkers, carpenters and others, has certainly contributed to drive from the coasting trade of the United States, owners of shipyards to other places, and if the determination to work on short time only, and for high wages, is adhered to, the owners of vessels will be difficult and slow to build. Your Committee feel that they have fulfilled the easier part of their task in pointing out the causes of the decline of American commerce, so far as its shipping interest is concerned. It is not to be a matter of history, it may be repeated here, that capitalists could not be induced to risk the money required to establish a line of steamers from New-York to Liverpool, without the aid of the United States Government. Nor was any line of steamers ever established from this to an European port without the aid of a subsidy, although that policy was not, when it was made and inaugurated,

of water, it was one, and he confessed he admitted it was foolish that she knew it was dangerous, but that she meant to put an end to herself, as it was the easy way to die; that she lived miserably and she would do it on that account; this statement was often repeated; the witness had never prescribed chloroform to the deceased; he believed her death had resulted from the improper use of the drug.

The jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the facts in the case.

THE EAST RIVER BRIDGE.

Preparation of the Caisson for the Brooklyn Side to be Launched in March Next.

The question is frequently asked, "What is being done about the East River Bridge?" There is no secret about the fact that the Executive Committee of the Company have lost no time in getting to work on the construction of the caisson for the Brooklyn side of the river, after they were authorized by the directors.

Messrs. WEBB & BELL, of Greenpoint, have commenced the construction of the caisson which is to be sunk to the base of the Brooklyn tower of the East River Bridge, and the work is now well under way. Colonel WM. H. PAINE is present at Messrs. WEBB'S yard every day, superintending the work on behalf of the Bridge Company. It is expected that the caisson will be ready to launch some time in March. It will then be floated to the location of the Brooklyn foundation of the tower. The river shore will be dredged out to low water line, and the caisson floated into its position at high tide; as the water recedes, it will be anchored or "seated," and excavating to sink it to the required depth will be carried on in its interior. Through the roof will be six shafts, or funnels, made of half-inch boiler iron. The two supply shafts through which the workmen descend and ascend, and by which the excavated soil is removed, will be twenty-one inches in diameter each. Each of the two air shafts, by which air is supplied to the workmen, is forty-two inches in diameter. Each of the two water shafts, in which the water oozing through the soil will be conducted, so as to keep clear of the workmen, is seven feet square. On top of this caisson will be piled timber to the height of fifteen feet, and the whole mass filled in with concrete, and on this bed of wood and stone will be placed the masonry for the towers. The caisson is in shape parallelogram, 168 feet long and 102 feet wide on the outside, and is about fifteen feet high. The sides are V shaped, the bottom being eight inches thick, and the top eight feet three inches, and ten feet high, and the roof, which rests upon the sides, is five feet thick. The whole is constructed with yellow pine a foot square, with the seams caulked. Between the outside layers of timber is a sheathing or layer of tin, between two of felt, intended to prevent the atmosphere from working into the interior of the caisson. The sharp edges of the structure are to facilitate the sinking of the box thirty feet beneath low tide level, and accordingly this portion is strongly made. The first layer of timber is of oak; on this is bolted a cast iron shoe, eight inches wide, oval on its face, being three inches thick in the centre. Around the shoe is placed an apron of boiler iron, extending three feet above the shoe on both sides of the wall, the whole strengthened by heavy angle irons on the interior, sixteen feet long. As the pressure of air on the caisson will increase as it sinks, it is estimated that the atmosphere resting on the surface will vary from 18,000 tons to 40,000 tons. Consequently careful and accurate calculation is made to give strength to the box. The timbers are all bolted together perpendicularly, horizontally, and diagonally, with the heaviest and longest bolts ever used. These bolts are, on an average, eighteen inches apart throughout the structure, and the ends are made air-tight by rubber washers. The immense number of bolts may be imagined, when it is expected that one hundred tons of them will be used. The interior of the caisson will be a room 168 feet long, 102 feet wide, and 9 feet high. There will be about 1,500,000 lineal feet of timber used in constructing the caisson, and when ready for launching it will weigh 3,000 tons. In order to launch it there will be seven ways or slots, underneath, and a water-tight compartment or air-chamber in the interior, 38 feet wide, extending lengthwise. In addition to this there are ten heavy supporting frames to sustain the roof.

As regards the negotiations for obtaining the site for the tower on the Brooklyn side, it appears that they have so far made but little progress. This tower will be built in the third or upper ship of the Fulton Ferry. The Ferry Company lease their ferry property from the City of New-York, and the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of that City are vested with the power of leasing and selling public property. When negotiations were opened by the Bridge Company to obtain possession of the upper ship and a section of the adjacent land, the Sinking Fund Commissioners referred the matter to a Commission of Estimate and Assessment, consisting of WILSON G. HUNT, and THOMAS R. AGNEW, who have not yet made their report. It is understood, however, that this will be forthcoming without much further delay, after which the preparations for the reception of the caisson will be at once proceeded with.

Projected Buildings.

The following are the projected buildings, plans for which have been approved, for the week ending Dec. 2, 1859:

BROWN AND OTHER STONE FRONTS.

Four first-class dwellings, Ohio stone fronts, south side Forty-fifth-street and north side Forty-fourth-street, west of Seventh-avenue, 20½ by 66 feet, four stories; J. J. ASTON, owner.

One public building, iron front, south side of Thirty-fourth-street, east of Sixth-avenue, 21, by 100 feet, four stories; JOHN GLASS, owner.

One first-class dwelling, south side of Fiftieth-street, east of Sixth-avenue, 20 by 50 feet, three stories; THOS. STEVENSON, owner.

One planing mill, corrugated iron fronts southeast corner of Twelfth-avenue and Forty-seventh-street, 80 by 90 feet, three stories; JOHN CARROLL & CO., owners.

One church, northeast corner of Madison-avenue and Fifty-seventh-street, 70 by 118 feet, one story; Madison-avenue Reformed Church, owner.

Three first-class dwellings, west side of Tenth-avenue, north of Sixtieth-street, 20 by 52 feet, four stories; JOHN CARLIN, owner.

Five first-class dwellings, north side of Eighty-fourth-street, east of Ninth-avenue, 20 by 46 feet, three stories; JOHN CARLIN, owner.

One first-class dwelling, north side of Forty-eighth-street, west of Fifth-avenue, 25 by 56 feet, four stories; J. C. THOMPSON, owner.

BRICK FRONTS.

One tenement, north side of Forty-seventh-street, west of Ninth-avenue, 25 by 52 feet, four stories; W. H. PURCH, owner.

One second-class dwelling, east side of Ninth-avenue, north of Fiftieth-street, 25 by 50 feet, three stories; BARBARA HOLTZMANN, owner.

One shop, No. 263 West Fiftieth-street, (rear,) 20½ by 25 feet, four stories; JOHN BURKLE, owner.

One store, No. 664 Eighth-avenue, 20 by 64 feet, three stories; P. CLIFFORD & CO., owners.

Five tenements, northwest corner Avenue C and Thirteenth-street, five stories; JACOB WEBER, owner.

One tenement, northwest corner First-avenue and Eighty-first-street, 25 by 55 feet, four stories; MICHAEL CAREY, owner.

Two tenements, Nos. 302 and 304 West Fortieth-street, 25 by 56 feet, four stories; P. HEFFERAN, owner.

One tenement, (brick and iron front,) No. 402 East Twenty-second-street, 20 by 46 feet, four stories; CLAUS WITSCHEN, owner.

FRAME BUILDINGS.

One second-class dwelling, south side of One Hundred and Fifth-street, west of First-avenue, 25 by 40 feet, two stories; GEO. WERRE, owner.

One second-class dwelling, south side of Fifty-fifth-street, east of Eleventh-avenue, 25 by 52 feet, two stories; GEO. SCHWARZMAN, owner.

One first-class dwelling, south side of One Hundred and Twenty-first-street, west of First-avenue, 18 by 28 feet, two stories; ISAAC DOUGHERTY, owner.

One second-class dwelling, north side of First-avenue, west of Seventy-ninth-street, 25 by 49 feet, two stories; JOHN J. MARKS, owner.

RECAPITULATION.

Brown-stone fronts	17
Brick fronts	13
Frame buildings	4
Total	34

Among these there are of first-class dwellings, 18; second class dwellings, 4; tenements, 10; store, 1; shop, 1; planing mill, 1; church, 1.

Unsafe Buildings—The Superintendent's Monthly Report.

The Superintendent of Buildings' report to the Board of Fire Underwriters shows that during November thirty-two buildings, reported as unsafe previous to that date, have been made safe, and that thirty buildings, reported as unsafe before that date, have still to be repaired or taken down. The number of unsafe buildings reported during November was twenty-one. Of this number one has been made safe, two are being repaired, and one has been taken down. During the month a survey was made of premises consisting of these buildings on Madison-avenue, on the west side, twenty-five feet north of Sixty-first-street, and a recommendation that they be properly repaired made.

The following is a list of buildings, forty-seven in number, remaining unsafe on the 1st instant: Nos. 115 and 117 West Twenty-third-street, unsafe walls; house northeast corner of Eleventh-avenue and Forty-second-street, unsafe walls; Nos. 86 and 90 University place, building unsafe; No. 116 Madison-street, walls unsafe; house west side of Third-avenue, 25 feet south of Sixty-first-street, unsafe building; Nos. 189 and 191 Bleecker-street, unsafe building; Nos. 94 and 96 Leonard-street, unsafe building; No. 107 West Broadway, unsafe front wall; Nos. 80 and 81 Attorney-street, unsafe front wall; No. 69 Attorney-street, unsafe rear wall; No. 106 Sixth-street, unsafe front wall; Nos. 99 and 99½ Washington-street, unsafe walls; No. 29 Rector-street, unsafe walls; No. 101 McDougall-street, unsafe walls; Nos. 53 and 57 Attorney-street, unsafe walls and gutters; No. 503 Water-street, unsafe east wall; No. 320 Forsyth-street, unsafe rear wall; house on south side One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, 275 feet east of Fourth-avenue, unsafe front wall; No. 88 Pearl-street, unsafe front wall; No. 97 Chatham-street, unsafe front wall; three buildings west side of Madison-avenue, 25 feet north of Sixty-first-street, unsafe easterly gable; No. 123 West Thirty-third-street, unsafe roof; No. 225 Chambers-street, unsafe walls; No. 288 Rivington-street, unsafe walls and chimneys; No. 128 Chrystie-street, unsafe building; Nos. 15, 17 and 17 Jacob-street, unsafe walls and gutters; No. 64 Frankfort-street, unsafe walls; No. 2 York-street, unsafe walls; No. 109 Perry-street, unsafe walls; No. 229 Third-avenue, unsafe building; Nos. 11, 13, 15 and 17 Jacob-street, unsafe building; No. 56 Park-street, unsafe front and gable walls; No. 124 William-street, unsafe building.

THE GOLD SUITS.

Proceedings in the Superior Court Against Albert Speyers—The Charge of Attempting to Defraud his Creditors.

In the Superior Court, Special Term, before Judge PITMAN, yesterday, in the suit of WILLIAM B. LANGTON vs. ALBERT SPEYERS, a motion was made to vacate the attachment heretofore issued against the property of the defendant, on the ground that he had secreted his property with intent to defraud his creditors.

Among the property alleged to have been secreted was a balance in favor of the defendant in the hands of DATER & THEPSON, it having been shown by the affidavit of DATER & THEPSON that on the 28th of September they gave formal notice to defendant of the balance in their hands to his credit, while the defendant, after such notice, denied having any balance due him. The defendant sought to explain away his act, by showing that in his manifold transactions of the 24d, 23d and 24th of September last, amounting to about $60,000,000, the existence of the balance referred to in the papers had escaped his recollection.

The Court took the papers and reserved its decision. CHARLES A. RAPALLO and EUGENE F. DALY appeared for the motion, denied having any balance due him. The defendant sought to explain away his act, by showing that in his manifold transactions of the 24d, 23d and 24th of September last, amounting to about $60,000,000, the existence of the balance referred to in the papers had escaped his recollection.

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The case of CAULDWELL ASHWORTH vs. ALBERT SPEYERS, also came up on a motion to dissolve an attachment issued against the defendant in a suit for the recovery of gold differences, and under which a levy was made on certain real estate, claimed as the property of defendant's wife. The affidavits on which the attachment was issued, set forth that on the 2d of September, the defendant represented himself as being wealthy, on the 24th, he entered into heavy gold speculations, and on the 26th, without being able to show his creditors where or they he had lost anything, declared himself utterly insolvent. On behalf of the motion it was contended that the defendant was not bound to disclose to his creditors where his property was, or when or how he had disposed of it; that it was for the plaintiffs to show affirmatively that he had had property, and that he had disposed of it with intent to defraud his creditors. Judge BARRETT, on behalf of plaintiffs, contended that fraud was not necessarily proven by a distinct act or fact, but might be deduced from the whole combination of facts surrounding the transaction, and that fraud was seldom or never proved otherwise than inferentially. Here was this defendant, he said, representing himself as a man possessing wealth, he then enters into the wildest and most extravagant speculations, according to his own statement, to the amount of $60,000,000. The next day he refers his creditors to his principals, and his alleged principals deny that they were such; and he who declared himself wealthy two days before, proclaims himself without property, and refuses all information of the manner in which he either lost or disposed of his property. These facts, he contended, clearly point to a secretion of his property by the defendant with intent to keep it beyond the reach of his creditors.

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The Asylum for Respectable, Aged, Indigent Females—Fifty-Sixth Anniversary.

The fifty-sixth anniversary of this institution was held in the chapel of the Asylum building in Twentieth-street yesterday afternoon. A large number of the directors and patrons of the Asylum were present. There was also present one of the original founders of the institution, Mrs. GOLDSMITH, formerly Miss LEGGETT, now 80 years of age.

Rev. Dr. MURRAY, pastor of the Brick Church, read the annual report, and followed it with some remarks about the origin and eminent usefulness of the society. The association had its origin in the chapel of the Old Brick Church in Beekman-street, and during its existence of over half a century, has afforded a refuge for 800 aged and indigent females. At present there are nearly ninety inmates of the Asylum, most of whom are between 70 and 80 years of age. A near relative of General WASHINGTON once found a home within its walls, and a cousin of General LEE is at present among the inmates. There has been but little sickness in the institution during the year. The deaths, all of which were from old age, numbered six. The Board of Managers mourn the loss during the year of Mr. JAMES CORNING, their late Treasurer, and Messrs. JOHN LOWERY and JNO. M. NIXON, members of the Advisory Committee.

A new asylum building is to be erected for the society on Fourth-avenue, between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets, a plan of which was submitted to the meeting yesterday. It is to be 204 feet front (on Fourth-avenue) by 65 feet depth, four stories high, with a Mansard roof, and will furnish accommodations for 125 inmates. The present building in Twentieth-street is to be sold, but it will not bring enough to erect the new building, and the balance will requires to be made up by private donations, for which the lady directors confidently appeal to the charitable public.

Expected Release of the Spanish Gunboats.

It is believed that the arguments in the case of the thirty gunboats, which have been before Judge BLATCHFORD to-morrow, are likely to result in their release. The motion for their discharge will be made by Messrs. STOUGHTON & CRAIG, counsel for the claimants, but will be contested by District-Attorney PIERREPONT. The latter will do his best to have the flotilla detained and placed under bonds. The Executive Department of the National Government has not yet given any notice that it will proceed against the gunboats on the complaints of Señors ALPANO and CISNEROS, of the Cuban Junta. It is very probable that nothing will be done in the matter.

The Schoeppe Murder Case.

In the Schoeppe case, under the auspices of the German Legal Aid Society of this City, a delegation consisting of Messrs. FREDERICK KAPP, General FRANZ SIGEL and CHAS. GOEPP, will proceed from this City to Harrisburg, Penn., very soon to endeavor to procure from Governor GEARY a pardon for Dr. SCHOEPPE.

Funeral of Isaac C. Pray.

The funeral of the late ISAAC C. PRAY, of this City, the leading characteristics of whose life were presented in the TIMES a few days ago, took place yesterday afternoon from St. Ann's Protestant Episcopal Church, in East Eighteenth-street. The edifice was nearly filled by members of the dramatic, literary and musical professions, all of whom evinced a keen sensibleness of the loss of one so heartily esteemed. Messrs. FRANKLIN J. OTTARSON, of the *Tribune*, THADDEUS W. MERGHAN, of the *Express*, and OLMSTEAD, of the *Journal of Commerce*, were among the pall-bearers. Rev. Dr. GALLAUDET officiated, with the assistance of Rev. Mr. HOLMES. After the beautiful service of the Episcopal Church had been read, and a few appropriate words of eulogy had been pronounced by the rector, the usual farewell view was taken, and the corpse was removed to Green-Wood Cemetery for interment.

Manufacturing Spurious Champagne.

WILLIAM DOUGHERTY, charged with manufacturing and selling champagne at No. 49 Division-street, without paying the special Government tax, was arrested by Deputy Marshal CROWLEY, yesterday afternoon, while in the act of supplying for a registered letter at the Post Office. It is alleged that he sold the wine under the pretence that it was genuine imported Piper Heidsieck. A man named ESSELIG, who is said to be his partner in the reputed fraudulent business, was arrested several months ago, but DOUGHERTY could not be found at the time. The accused was held in $2,000 bail to appear for examination before United States Commissioner SHIELDS.

The Chess Tournament at the Europe Chess Rooms.

There are twenty candidates for chess honors in this tourney. The successful players thus far are Messrs. R. LISENER, J. LISENER, J. MASON and VON FRANKENBERG. Many amateurs of chess would have participated in the proceedings but for the fact that three other tournaments are in progress, namely, the Brooklyn Club, the New-York Club, and the Williamsburg Club tournaments. As many of the members of these clubs have been the supporters of the tourney held at this place, it is not surprising that the present tournament is not to successful, numerically, as the former one, which averaged about fifty players.

Another reason which may be given for the small number of entries is that a few of the best players took, from the commencement, such a decided lead as to discourage others from competing with them. This was an error which will be rectified on future occasions.

The score of the most prominent players is as present: R. LISENER won thirteen games, lost one; J. LISENER won seven games, lost one; J. MASON won seventeen games, lost four; VON

The other players show more games lost than won.

THE CUSTOM HOUSE FRAUDS.

Detectives Looking After Blatchford—The Burton Case—More Arrests to Be Made.

A clue has been discovered to the whereabouts of SAMUEL T. BLATCHFORD, the fugitive Ex-Deputy Collector, and of some of his prominent confederates in the drawback frauds, which, if cautiously and expeditiously followed up, is likely to eventuate in their arrest. The mission of capturing the escaped parties has been intrusted to Colonel WHITELEY, the Government detective. Special efforts will be made to find BLATCHFORD, for the purpose of bringing him before the United States Court to answer the indictment which the Grand Jury has found against him.

Yesterday was the time fixed for the commencement of the examination in the case of JOHN S. BARTON, recently arrested on a charge of bribing United States Weighers CARR and VAN WINKLE to make false returns of weights on goods imported by the firm of DUNCOMB & LALLY, of Water-street. The case was brought before Commissioner OSBORN, but an adjournment was asked by Mr. ETHAN ALLEN, counsel for the defendant, in order to give him an opportunity to examine into the alleged facts, and to scrutinize the complaint. He suggested that the examination take place on Thursday, the 8th inst., but at the request of Assistant District-Attorney PRUDY it was postponed until the 11th inst. It is understood that Special Detective JAYNE will in the meantime endeavor to secure the arrest of certain merchants who have been accused of having defrauded the Government by means of false weights.

Prosecuting Custom House Officers.

In the case of LALOR and KUHNLER, charged with levying blackmail and attempting to rob a Frenchman named DURANDRE, residing at No. 194 East Tenth-street, by personating Custom House officers, Commissioner SHIELDS has denied the motion to dismiss, but has granted an adjournment of the case in order to give the defense an opportunity to produce evidence.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Ingraham, J.—Calendar called at 12 M.

Nos.	Nos.
710—Pistelle et al. vs. Butterfield Insuring Co.	122—Redlich vs. Doll.
715—First Nat. Bank vs. Fuller.	126—Davy vs. Leary.
791—Frankel vs. Dugraw.	128—Miller vs. Nat. Ex. Press and Trans. Co.
805—Hay vs. King.	132—Treanor vs. White.
The call commences at No. 23—Oneida Nat. Bank vs. Clark.	136—De Lara vs. De Lara.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
386—Muller vs. N. Y. Guaranty and Indemnity Co.	291—Kechler vs. Clark.
	295—Blackwell vs. Field.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Alker, J.—Non-Jury Causes only.—Calendar called at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
4295—Cavanagh vs. Connelly.	4424—Parish vs. Marston.
4301—Rettig vs. Corn.	4434—Same vs. Same.
4344—O'Gallagher vs. Rutland.	4435—Same vs. Same.
	4436—Harrington vs. France
	4438—McCallum vs. Thomas.
4408—Lima vs. Rimarella.	
4409—Billings vs. Tilton.	4427—Wallach vs. Tracy.
4422—Gardner vs. Association Furniture Co.	4429—Newton vs. Quinland.

Part II.—Held by Gross, J.—Non-Jury Causes only.

Nos.	Nos.
4400—Stone vs. McDowell.	4426—Same vs. Same.
4410—Walker vs. Hirsch.	4427a—Same vs. Same.
4411—Beman vs. Farley.	4428—Wagner vs. Hurrick.
4412—Chandler vs. Fitzpatrick.	4429—Same vs. Same.
4413—Friedenberg vs. Wecht.	4471—McDonald vs. Frank.
4380—Reay vs. Gimbrede.	4472—Myers vs. Washen.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—DEC. 2.

By Judge Ingraham.

Kinsey vs. H. H. Morange; the defendant may have an extension of time for making the payment of the balance within twenty days.

Watson vs. Gardiner; motion granted and reference ordered to M. Wheeler, Esq.

E. R. Jay et al. vs. George A. Cooke et al.; motion to open default granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—DEC. 2.

By Judge Jones.

Antonio Miller vs. John Graham et al.; injunction dissolved with $10 costs.

Alfred J. Chamney vs. Thomas Hamilton et al.; motion for commission granted with $10 costs.

By Judge Pitman.

J. G. Van Tassel vs. F. W. Walker; motion denied with costs.

Herman C. Hamfe et al. vs. William Bradley; motion granted without costs.

Charles S. De Forest vs. Sabrina T. De Forest; motion by which of whom it was ordered by Master Bennett to take testimony. The motion made by the defendant to have testimony taken as to the regularity of the service of process on the defendant, with a view to opening the default, was granted a month ago, and permitting the defendant to plead, which he was granted by default on testimony showing the defendant to be guilty of acts of adultery in the Elysian Fields at Long Branch. The Court thought it regular service of the process was sufficient, and if the defendant failed to appear, the decree should not be set aside. A reference was accordingly ordered to take testimony on this point.

COMMON PLEAS—CHAMBERS—DEC. 2.

By Judge Loew.

Dorn vs. Noe; motion granted.

Dunn vs Cunningham; motion granted with $10 costs to plaintiff to abide event.

Bixby vs. Hanlaha; order of reference granted.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

PATENT—ARMOR FOR VESSELS—RIGHTS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Charles W. S. Heaton and William H. Webb vs. George T. Quintard et al.—BLATCHFORD, J.—The bill in this case is founded on letters patent of the United States granted April 14, 1858, to the plaintiff Heaton, for a "system of defensive armor for marine and land batteries." Such system is described in the specification of the patent as consisting of iron armor plates laid in the usual way against the longitudinal or outer timbers of a vessel, such timbers being such as to form a sufficient backing to rigidly support the armor plates, and of an outer layer of timber covering the armor plates, and being bolted on sufficiently to hold it to its place, and of a plate or thin sheathing on the surface of the timber. The bill was filed in December, 1858. The alleged infringement consisted in putting up, on the Government gunboat, a vessel of war constructed for the Government of the United States, substantially the arrangement of armor plates and wood described in the patent. The vessel was built by the defendant Quintard under a contract made by him with the Government of the United States to build her for such Government. Such contract did not include the putting of any wooden armor outside of the plates. In March, 1862, the Navy Department of the United States gave directions to have the wooden armor put on. The vessel was being built under such contract, and while being built belonged to the Government. The iron armor was begun to be put on in May, 1862. The wooden armor and the outside plating thereon were put on by the defendant Quintard, and the work of putting them on was finished in July, 1862. The defendant Quintard acted as agent for the Government in procuring such wooden armor and outside plating to be put on by the other defendants. The work in respect of the same was done by contract, but was done by days' work and by the pound. The Government paid the bills therefor through the defendant Quintard, the same being so paid for such wooden armor and outer plating, and for putting them upon the vessel was in addition to the contract price for the vessel as the vessel was to be built and delivered according to the contract without such wooden armor and outer plating. Quintard paid out for the wooded armor and outside plating all the money that he received from the Government therefor, and the defendants set up in the answer is that, as the wooden armor and outer plating were built in consequence of an order given by the purpose by the Secretary of the Navy of the United States and were applied to a vessel built for the United States, and were paid for by the defendants by the Secretary of the Navy, the defendants are not liable for any value which such armor may have been to the United States. I think this is a good defence. To hold that workmen and employes of a Government, who do work for it upon a vessel owned by it, are liable to be sued for doing such work, such work being done in a manner and for a purpose the Government, can be held liable in a Court of the United States for infringing a patent by doing such work. Would the, in effect and substance, to allow the Government itself to be sued, when it gives a suit against its workmen, and would lead to embarrassments of the operations of the Government which might prove of serious detriment. I have examined the cases of Walker vs. Contractors (1 Deady, 465, 474,) cited for the plaintiffs. An *ex parte* injunction had been granted, restraining the defendant from making, selling, or preserving and conveying gunpowder, alleged to be made in violation of the rights of a patent obtained by the plaintiff. It was alleged that the defendant had violated the injunction by forwarding to the Grand Duke Constantine of the British Government, on the direction to that effect, some of the barrels which had been previously made for the public service, and an application was made to the Court of Chancery (Lord Eldon) to commit him for a contempt. In the course of the hearing Lord Eldon allowed the fact that a public servant, as such, might not be liable to the consequences of a private suit for infringing a patent, and yet nevertheless, if he and his servants were subject to be enjoined. The defendant set up that he was not amenable for a contempt, as he was acting in a public capacity and in the public service while he supposed he was not. The motion was consequently dissolved. A motion was made at the same time to dissolve the injunction. On the argument of the Court, and with the consent of the Government, it was ascertained that the injunction would keep on account of the barrels until there could be trial at law of the patent, so that the public service might proceed without interruption and its demands be supplied, and the injunction was dissolved. The patent was not further contested. This case by no means establishes the right of the plaintiffs to recover in this suit. Another view of the present case is that what the defendants did, did not constitute an infringement of the patent. They neither made, nor used, nor put into practice, nor sold, the patented invention, in any proper sense. It was no infringement to make or fabricate the wooden armor, and to put an outer layer of timber covering the armor plates, so long as they were not liable to contribute to the use of a vessel. The patent is limited to such applications as are enumerated. The memory in the Grand Duke Constantine of the United States while also was being built under such contract, although the contract was not completed by the Government as having been fulfilled by the Government, and after the wooden armor and outer plating had been put on, and after in putting such wooden armor and outer plating upon a vessel owned by the Government, the defendants were guilty of no infringement, by having made such armor and outer plating upon a vessel owned by the Government, and while being built under such contract, and while belonging to the Government. The iron armor was begun to be put on in May, 1862. The wooden armor and the outside plating thereon were put on by the defendant Quintard, and the work of putting them on was finished in July, 1862. The defendant Quintard acted as agent for the Government in procuring such wooden armor and outside plating to be put on by the other defendants. 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DADDY GRAY and CHECKMATE. Leading characters by Mr. E. L. Davenport and Mrs. Chanfrau.

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Montague-st., near Court-st.
MARY WARNER. Leading character by Miss Kate Bateman.

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FIRE FLY. Leading character by Miss Lotta.

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Broadway, near Bleecker-st.
DARIUS DUTTON. Leading character by Mr. Robinson.

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Bowery, near Canal-st.
FAUSTUS, PANTOMIME, &c.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The persistent inharmony between the Sublime Porte and the Viceroy of Egypt has moved the Governments of Great Britain and France to great efforts to effect a settlement of the points at issue.

The ship *Scotswood* from New-Orleans Aug. 31, for Genoa, after having been given up as lost by the underwriters arrived at her destination on the 1st inst.

A Berlin dispatch gives currency to a rumor of the revival of the Schleswig-Holstein question, and says that important dispatches on this subject have been exchanged by the Austrian and Prussian Governments.

The bullion in the Bank of France declined 1,900,000 francs during the week ending yesterday, and in the same period the bullion in the Bank of England decreased $28,000.

The Viceroy of Egypt, it is said, has presented the Empress EUGENIE a diamond diadem worth 3,000,000 of francs.

The London *Times*, on the subject of the Irish policy of the Government, says in substance that the development of Irish demands must be stopped, as the permission to propagate such mischievous delusions will involve the Government in the guilt. If it is to be inferred that legislation is only to be limited by the demand of Irish peasants, no surprise should be felt if contempt of law ripen into violence against authority. In the meantime infractions must be punished.

M. OLLIVIER declared in a Committee of the Corps Legislatif yesterday that they must rally round the dynasty if popular excesses were to be guarded against.

GENERAL.

Advices from Winnepeg, by way of St. Paul, Minn., and Toronto, represent that the insurgents, on the 18th of November, held a council which was adjourned to the 18th without definite action. A proclamation issued by Governor McTAVISH calling upon the people to do nothing contrary to law, produced a "marked effect." The insurgents number 200, of whom but 200 are armed, and are said to have become rather lax in their watch of the frontier. A dispatch by way of Chicago represents them as still very defiant and disposed to yield to nothing but force.

A new Postal Convention has just been agreed upon with Great Britain, by which the ocean postage between the United States and Great Britain is reduced to six cents, if paid in advance, with a fine of six cents added for non-prepayment, the arrangement to take effect Jan. 1, 1870.

The Republicans and Democrats of Boston, it is said, are dissatisfied with the nominees for Mayor, and a "Citizens' candidate" is spoken of.

A formidable alliance is said to have been formed between the Northern Sioux and Crows for a war of extermination against the settlers in Eastern Montana and Wyoming, instigated by an outlawed half breed.

The argument in the case involving the power to exclude the Bible from the public schools of Cincinnati was resumed, yesterday, in the Supreme Court in that city. No conclusion has been reached.

The election in Texas seems to progress quietly. The estimates at Houston give the State to HAMILTON by 30,000, while his friends at Austin claim he will be elected by 20,000.

The Congressional Sub-Committee on the decline of the American shipping interest held their last session for taking testimony yesterday in Philadelphia. The remedies for the existing depression in nearly all cases presented themselves—a drawback of duty on materials used, or a subsidy equal to the duty when American material was used; permission to purchase foreign-built vessels, and admission to American registers, and admission to American lines of ocean steamers.

The Legislature of Ontario on Wednesday night voted an address to the Crown, praying that the Imperial Parliament might, by a special act, render it impossible for the Dominion Parliament to disturb the financial relations established in the "British North American Act" of 1867.

An explosion of fire damp occurred yesterday morning in the Empire mine, Wilkesbarre, Penn., by which seven or eight men were seriously injured.

The Alabama Senate was engaged yesterday on a bill to give negroes equal privileges with whites on railroads and other conveyances.

The ship *Joseph Holmes*, of Boston, Captain MOODY, from New-York for Glasgow, sprung a leak and was abandoned by the crew, who were picked up and were landed in England on Wednesday.

The Canadian authorities have summoned Colonel ERMATINGER, of Montreal, to Ottawa, with the object of intrusting him with a special conciliatory message to the discontented half-breeds of the Red River. Colonel ERMATINGER is of mixed Indian origin.

The Western Extension Railway, from St. John, N. B., to the American boundary, was formally opened on the 1st inst.

The returns from Mississippi indicate the election of General ALCORN by a large majority. No disturbances are reported. The Republican gain in thirteen counties is over 13,000.

The "commercial" grain elevator at Cleveland, Ohio, was partially burned on Wednesday night, and 20,000 or 30,000 bushels of grain damaged by water and smoke.

The Legislature of Washington Territory desires the removal of the headquarters of the Department of the Columbia from Portland to Vancouver. Accompanying this piece of information is another, to the effect, that Governor FLAMBEAU, of that Territory, has vetoed over one hundred acts of the Legislature, including the whole code of laws prepared by commission, and passed by both Houses.

The Third Auditor of the Treasury, Mr. R. W. CLARKE, has resigned on account of his health, preferring the office of Supervisor of Internal Revenue of Ohio.

LOCAL.

The dedication of the new building of the Young Men's Christian Association, corner of Twenty-third-street and Fourth-avenue, took place last evening. There was a large attendance, including an unusual number of prominent men. Speeches were delivered by Vice-President COLFAX, Governor Hoffman, Wm. E. Dodge, Jr., Rev. J. R. Kendrick, D. D., Major-General O. O. Howard, Rev. H. Ridgeway and Rev. J. Thompson.

The counting of the coin in the Sub-Treasury was finished yesterday. The amount was $75,000,109.

The Dartmouth College Association of the City of New-York celebrated its sixth anniversary by a dinner at DELMONICO'S last evening. Among the speakers were Senator PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire; Rev. Dr. TAYLOR, of Andover; E. B. KIMBALL, R. A. ROLLINS, Jr., and others. RICHARD B. KIMBALL was elected President of the Association for the ensuing year.

Two motions were made yesterday in the Superior Court to dissolve the attachments issued against ALBERT SPERRA, on claims arising out of the Gold Corner. The Court reserved its decision.

EDWARD H. ARTHUR, President of the Union National Bank, died yesterday morning in this City, in the 64th year of his age.

The fifty-sixth anniversary of the Association for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Females was celebrated yesterday at the Asylum, No. 226 East Twentieth-street. The institution is flourishing.

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, an important report was presented by the Committee appointed to consider the causes of the decline of American commerce and suggest measures of relief. A discussion ensued in which A. A. LOW, AMBROSE SNOW, (who presented a minority report,) Hon. F. A. CONKLING, PROSPER M. WETMORE and others took part, and the subject was postponed for two weeks.

Reduced Taxation a Preliminary to Resumption.

The advocates of immediate resumption overlook one obstacle, which may well be pronounced insurmountable. There are, undoubtedly, valid reasons against the adoption of the measure they recommend, arising out of the present condition of trade and industry, and the tendency of any marked disturbance of values to produce widespread embarrassment and ruin. It is not possible to hasten a return to specie payments without creating panic, which is the equivalent of disaster, and without exposing the public credit to greater evils than those incident to an inconvertible currency. For either there must be contraction, which means the crushing out of a vast amount of mercantile life, or the Government must assume a responsibility which only an improbable degree of popular forbearance could render safe. Hence, as a mere matter of finance, it is desirable to approach resumption gradually,—by steps so easy and well-considered that commerce shall quietly adapt itself to the change, and that the Treasury and the banks shall acquire that mastery over their affairs which is essential to the development of public confidence.

Not less cogent is the argument derived from the amount and character of taxation, national and local. The accumulated burdens borne by the taxpayers are enormous. Only great powers of endurance, the result of a large average of prosperity, have enabled them to carry the load. They assumed it cheerfully, and with an honest purpose; and while every branch of industry and enterprise prospered under the influence of high prices, they paid their dues without a murmur. Not content with paying the interest upon indebtedness, municipal, State, or national, they have contributed freely to the liquidation of the principal. Mr. BOUTWELL'S figures show the extent to which the Federal debt has been reduced; but to ascertain the whole sacrifice which has been ungrudgingly borne, we must add the sums contributed both as interest and principal on account of local liabilities connected with the war. The taxation endured for the accomplishment of these ends has been oppressive; only honest instincts have rendered it endurable,—only rich resources and indomitable energy have made it possible.

Practically, however, taxation now becomes more oppressive than ever, while the ability of the taxpayers becomes rapidly less. The reduction of taxes has not kept pace with the general decline of prices; the burden is therefore relatively greater, because the capacity to carry it is diminished. The rapid fall of the gold premium has unsettled values; all prices tend downward, and the consequent depression is aggravated by uncertainty. The West suffers especially. War prices enabled the farmers of the wheat-producing States to pay off incumbrances and acquire invaluable prosperity. The return of low prices is forcing them back to their old position. They are deeply in debt, and unable to discharge it. Present prices afford them inadequate compensation for their labor and outlays, and their requirements are being cut down by stern necessity. Everybody knows what this state of things involves. When country storekeepers cannot collect from their customers, the city merchant soon realizes the dilemma; and the bond of sympathy between the Atlantic cities and the trading communities of the West is too strong to allow of indifference on the part of either to the adverse fortune of the other. Never, therefore, has the combined taxation, national and local, seemed so formidable as it is at this moment. It was sufficiently heavy in the most prosperous times; it is terrible now that prosperity has disappeared from some sections and has been sadly dwarfed in all.

One of the most urgent wants, then, is a reduction of taxation. Some reforms may be deferred to a more convenient season. The reform that shall revise and readjust and lighten taxation is a necessity too imperative to make long delay expedient or just. There may be reasons for not precipitating it until Congress shall have matured a comprehensive financial policy—until the management of the debt be arranged upon a basis favorable for funding, and the course of the Secretary in regard to it be marked out plainly and judiciously. But reduced taxation must enter into the debt problem, the solution of which cannot be too quickly followed by all the relief which economy in expenditures, and revision and reduction in fiscal matters, will afford the taxpayers.

Now the effect of an early return to specie payments will be to aggravate the burden of taxation at a time when the country is least able to bear it. Come when it may, there are certain penalties attendant upon resumption which the most adroit statesmanship cannot wholly obviate. The debtor class—always the largest in the community—will be more or less embarrassed; values will go down; everything a man has will be worth less—everything he offers for sale will bring lower prices. There will be a period during which solvent traders will experience depression, while insolvent traders will encounter difficulty, perhaps ruin. At such a time even ordinary taxation will be burdensome. What shall be said, then, of the extraordinary taxation at present paid by the people? Simply that specie payments would render it absolutely intolerable. The farmer, receiving less for his grain, would be compelled to produce and sell more to pay his taxes. The merchant, with more bad debts, smaller profits, and a restricted and less certain market, would be required to contribute at the highest rate to the Local and General Government. The mechanic or salaried man, with income reduced, would be compelled to pay the old percentage to the tax collector. In other words, the proportion of taxes to profits and income would be enormously increased. Hard times would be rendered harder by the continuance of a scale of taxation adapted to an era of high prices and boundless enterprise and prosperity. An anomaly so glaring should not be thought of. Such taxation in such circumstances could not be collected.

We are not insensible to the desirableness of a return to specie payments. We would have that object kept steadily in view in the construction of a financial policy. But there can be no enduring resumption which is not accomplished gradually, even slowly; there can be no safe escape from the toils of an inconvertible currency which is not effected with the utmost caution and a due regard for general interests. Time and careful preparation are therefore essential elements of any policy designed to promote the change. And among the forms of preparation, reduced taxation holds a prominent place. Not until the taxes are cut down in a ratio at least equal to the decline of values attendant upon resumption, will the latter measure be possible. Theorists may talk as dogmatically as they please; special interests may call for specie payments with all the zeal of which they are capable; but the people will be heard above all. And they will protest, earnestly and righteously, against any attempt at resumption which shall not be preceded by reduced expenditures on the part of the Government, and a revision of the forms and a reduction of the amount of national taxation.

The Cuban Insurrection.

The latest advices from our Havana correspondent confirm the position we have already been compelled to take regarding the situation of affairs in Cuba. The so-called "war" is carried on with the torch, not the rifle, and the whole insurrection drags on in a line of policy at once aimless and idle. Indeed, it is not too much to say that, probably, but for the physical difficulties of campaigning (owing to the peculiar terrain in which the revolutionists are now operating) which present themselves to the Spanish troops, the latter might before this have made good their somewhat braggart and certainly premature claim that they had "crushed the rebellion." All this we say not in any spirit of fault-finding, for the Cubans have done their best, and half their spirit has been taken out of them by the progress of liberal ideas in Spain. Ten years ago Cuba, struggling to be free, would have provoked not only the sympathy, but possibly the aid, of the United States and other Powers. But, simultaneously with her stroke for freedom, tyranny was overthrown in Spain, and, although there is still only a blind groping for a republic in the Iberian peninsula, yet clear it is that the Spanish people are on the verge of establishing popular government and a free, if not a republican, polity. This movement, of course, coming at this special juncture, has taken half the wind out of the Cuban sails. We believe that the insurrectionary movement would have gained double the external sympathy if ISABELLA had been still on the throne—and without external help the insurrection seems unable to vindicate itself.

For at present, there is certainly nothing like the activity [illegible] that was shown many months ago, when the season for campaigning was less propitious. Eager correspondents gather up every report of a brawl that can be magnified into a battle, and even that does not always stand the touchstone of investigation. Spaniards tell ridiculous stories of the number of insurgents they have killed, when they have hardly fired a shot, or found anybody to fire at. The patriots hold to their mountain fastnesses, where, probably, they can remain, if they like, forever.

It seems almost an imposition, therefore, for the Government and for the Courts to be arguing in New-York on a state of facts which does not exist. This failure of promises was a leading difficulty with the vigorous Cuban argument of Mr. G. P. LOWRERY, the counsel for the Junta, the other day. We freely admit that, so far as cogent and lucid reasoning was concerned, this argument was the ablest legal plea ever yet put forward in behalf of the Cuban cause, or that could well be, on the facts it assumed. But what were these assumed facts? "It is asserted as a matter of fact," says Mr. LOWRERY, "that a district comprising the larger part of the Island of Cuba is in a state of revolt, in which the great majority, if not all, of the people of that district participate." Now our own advices do not so read. On the contrary, they tell us that the insurrection does not include the "great majority of the people." And if that be so, no subsequent persuasiveness and power in the argument can supply the facts which the Cubans themselves do not furnish by their conduct in the field.

We say this in no lack of sympathy for Cuban wrongs, or in any desire to see past iniquities perpetuated. We argue simply on the facts as presented by our own correspondent, and by all candid correspondents who have either the ability or the opportunity to tell the American people exactly what the situation in Cuba is.

What is Impending in Ireland?

There is never any knowing how much to believe of reports of coming insurrections in Ireland. A slight outbreak of local discontent is sometimes magnified into a national rising, and vague rumors of the country-side are caught up and talked about as if they were events, not words. Ireland is never without whispers of a revolution. But of late the atmosphere has been particularly threatening. The disaffected portion of the Press has made less disguise than usual about the projects entertained by Fenian and other popular leaders. Once more the British Government is said to be meditating the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus* in Ireland. The Fenians boldly put forward the well-known "Colonel BURKE" as their candidate for the metropolitan borough of Southwark. If they confined themselves to this method of advancing their cause we should commend their discretion, and perhaps look for some curious complications in Parliamentary life. But a resort to arms is a part of their programme, and all that remains to be settled is the date.

What are we to think of this threatened insurrection? If it were attempted it must end in one of three things: England would be compelled to give up Ireland, or she would voluntarily surrender it, or the Fenians and their friends would be beaten. Now which is the most probable result of the three? Almost any moderately well informed person is competent to form an opinion on this point. England has not been at war for some years, and her fleet is considered to be in fair condition. But in our opinion it is sheer folly to discuss this side of the question. What we would ask is whether it would not be well to wait to see what the British Government really intends to do? We have never been among Mr. GLADSTONE'S blind idolators, but surely we have a right to give him credit for sincerity, and for a desire to do his work like a statesman. He has solemnly undertaken to redress Irish grievances, and as an earnest of his purpose he began by abolishing the Protestant State Church. He is at this moment engaged with his colleagues in the settlement of a comprehensive scheme for doing full and complete justice to Irish tenants and farmers. Is it worth while waiting for this scheme or not? The governments of the world generally appear to think that it is. Almost all nations unite in recommending the Irish people to assist Mr. GLADSTONE by at least postponing the threatened breach of the public peace. They have not so very long to wait. They will know what Mr. GLADSTONE has to propose before the end of March. Wrongs which have endured for seven hundred years may exist three months longer without hurting anybody very much. All true friends of Ireland must hope that the "great rising" now promised will not come off. If it does—we doubt whether poor Ireland will get much by it.

Government and Patentees.

The case arising out of the building of the *Onondaga*, of which we give a report this morning, involved one interesting question and suggested another still more so. It seems that her builders contracted with the Government first to build simply an iron-plated vessel, and were afterward directed by the Secretary of War to put over the iron plates a wooden covering and an outside thinner iron plating. This latter work was done for the Government by days' work and not by contract. After its completion the builders were sued by parties who held a patent for a "system of defensive armor for marine and land batteries," which consisted of iron plates covered with wood and again with iron, on the ground that they had infringed the patent. The Court dismisses the bill, on the ground that the builders, in what they did, were but the agents of the Government, and the Government was the offender if any one.

The question suggested is, therefore, whether the Government would be liable for this infringement. The Judge cites an English case, decided in 1865, (which, by the way, also arose out of a patent for armoring vessels,) in which it was held that the Crown had the right to use any article, notwithstanding its being patented. Whether our Courts would hold that the sovereign people have the same prerogative as the British Crown has, may, perhaps, not be certain. It is quite clear, however, that if the Government is not called upon to deal with a patentee, as having a sole right to his invention, such patents as this will be, in connection, with Government work, of little advantage to the inventor. He might prevent others from building armored vessels for sale, but that is a business which is not likely to be entered upon except under a certain agreement. This very vessel was afterward bought back from the Government by the builders and sold; but it is quite doubtful whether the patentee could found any claim against the purchasers, for if the Government has the right to use the vessel and sells her, it would seem that the same right to use her which the Government had, must be sold with her. That question was not, however, involved in this suit, which was commenced before the later purchase took place.

The Coal Question and the Duty of Congress.

Very soon after Congress meets, it will be called upon to take into consideration the popular grievance in regard to coal. New-England, New-York and New-Jersey are at issue with a few mining and railroad corporations who, by keeping the market at an exorbitant rate, are able to obstruct industries and to add another to the many ills which the poor have to bear. Where the duty of our representatives lies is clear. The question is whether they will allow themselves to be overridden by those corporations, and induced to refuse a measure of justice imperatively demanded. The case is a peculiarly hard one from a double point of view. New-England, New-Jersey and this State depend necessarily for their anthracite coal upon the mines of Pennsylvania. But the same capitalized influence controlling both mines and the railroads by which their product is distributed, the price to consumers is kept by its action at a rate which constitutes a severe burden. At the same time the Atlantic coast, which has within reach a supply of bituminous coal, at a reasonable first cost, is deprived of that supply by a tax which is at once impolitic and unjust. The tax is upheld that the mines may charge for the coal an unfair price, and that the railroads may grow richer by carrying it at charges which are beyond all reason.

The producing cost of a ton at the pit's mouth (say at Mauch Chunk) is about $1 85, to which may be added a few cents more for commission and so forth. The New-Jersey Central Railroad charges $3 a ton for freight to Elizabeth, making the total cost there about $5. But the cargo price at Elizabeth is, or was a few days ago, $8 50 a ton for lump, stove and steamer coal. We see here the enormous profits gained by the mining and railway companies, and the consequent hardship inflicted upon the public. Of course the Atlantic coast, which asks for the use of Nova Scotia coal, but is denied, fares much worse, on account of its greater distance from the mines. And the example given applies to the Reading Railroad also, which charges $8 53 a ton for the ninety miles between Port Carbon and Port Richmond. On the other hand, the Baltimore and Ohio Road, a much more expensive one as to working, from the steepness of its grades, carries coal from Cumberland to Locust Point, more than double the distance of that between Ports Carbon and Richmond, for $3 50.

The mining corporations have been enabled to produce these results by a system of regulating the market, and by producing strikes, suspensions and every possible means of alarming the public, and the railroads have abetted them. Not only have they done this, but by studious misrepresentations both have created the impression that the supply was unequal to the demand and that prices must still go higher. The consumers, however, or all of them who could do so, refused to "lay in stocks" in obedience to these alarmist cries, and the truth becomes understood that not only is the supply equal to, but largely in excess of, popular requirements. It is to be hoped that this abstinence from purchase will be persisted in. There seems indeed no reason why, in a very large number of cases, the system of laying up the Winter's supply may not altogether cease. At all events, the time has come when Congress must look the matter square in the face, and see how far it is justified in preserving a tax on Nova Scotia coal, which injures the iron manufactures of the Atlantic seaboard, which operates with unfair preference in favor of the Pennsylvania iron manufacturer, and which enables the coal interests to impose upon the poor, and obstructs every industry which depends upon coal for its working. The railroad monopolies and the miners, who sustain each other in opposing the repeal of the duty on foreign bituminous coal, must be brought to reason.

Wendell Phillips' Modest Demand.

The principal thing that Mr. WENDELL PHILLIPS "asks of Congress" in his last lyceum lecture is such a trifle in itself, and so easy to be granted, that this body would be boorish to the last degree to refuse it. "What I demand of Congress," says Mr. PHILLIPS—and here it will be observed that, as usual with that orator, "we" is a mere synonym of "I," and "ask" means only "demand"—"what I demand of Congress is that it should assume the Government, which the Executive has abdicated." That is all; it is very simple, and altogether a modest request; and we repeat that Congress will show itself but a churl if it shall not make the trivial transformation that Mr. PHILLIPS suggests.

But why needs Congress to make this change in government? Because the Administration has been "guilty of a very large and grave neglect;" though what that mysterious neglect is Mr. PHILLIPS does not vouchsafe to tell his readers, leaving them to evolve it out of their own moral consciousness.

The trouble with Mr. PHILLIPS and his [illegible] plain and advocate those of the Ptolemaic system of astronomy, so, at the North, a few people are urging the abolition of slavery with a zeal which would have done them great credit forty years ago. The main difficulty in the way of their schemes is that everybody knows that slavery is abolished, and that the joyful era of peace is here. While war was in the land, we all did our best to support it heartily, and as heartily we now support and maintain peace. The Phillips school only beat the air; if it affords them any amusement to do so, by all means let them continue, it being an innocent pastime. But, while those who did "skirmish" agree that the skirmishing is over, and while those who did make war have beaten swords into ploughshares, that people may not go to war any more, it is clear that the Phillips idea is only the recurring dream of a fearful by-gone reality.

As to the other things that WENDELL PHILLIPS "asks of Congress," they are all bound up in the one "demand" already spoken of. "What I demand of Congress is to fortify against the coming magnanimity." He wants confiscation, and punishment, and all sorts of things, and his great difficulty in getting them is, as he confesses, that "the stern, rigid, indomitable, unmixed idea of justice is intolerable to the American people." When foes lay down their arms, they become with us foes no longer, but friends *Parcere subjectis* is the motto with the American as with the old Roman people; and it is for this very reason, probably, that WENDELL PHILLIPS and his school will no more get of Congress than of his fellow-citizens whom Congress represents, what he "asks."

We hope we shall not be suspected of uttering an ungenerous taunt when we say that South Carolina is not exactly in a position to talk about "pledging its last dollar and man to the Government" in case of war. We certainly mean no offence in asking whether South Carolina would not do better to think about devoting its "last dollar and man" toward the restoration of its own impoverished resources. But no; it wants a war—not, we are happy to add, with the Government, but with Spain. It cannot wait any longer for the recognition of Cuba. The thing must be done at once. And then comes the "pledge" which we have heard repeated very often of late years. We, too, should be glad to see Cuba quit of Spain, once for all; but there is no hurry about that war. Visions of falling prices and reduced taxation begin once more to float before the eyes of our people. Would it not be rather a pity to destroy the illusion this side of Christmas?

If anybody wishes to see how a fine thoroughfare may be ruined he has only to take a walk along Fifth-avenue. When the roadway was being taken up some time ago, to make room for the new composition, which was to be the wonder of the nineteenth century, we ventured to denounce the whole business as an arrant job. We were assured that we were quite mistaken, and that the new pavement would certainly last forever, if not longer. Some of the residents of Fifth-avenue were taken in by this story. They are wiser now. In the dry weather clouds of dust filled their houses, and now if they want to cross the road they are obliged to wade nearly up to their knees in mud. What will it be when snow falls, and hard frosts split up the filthy mixture of tar and old rubbish into a thousand fragments? It is too late, unfortunately, to save Fifth-avenue—but are the perpetrators of this disgraceful imposition to be allowed to spoil the whole town?

The snow-fall of yesterday, slight as it was, sufficed as a reminder of the miseries which this City was forced to endure last Winter. Are they to be repeated this season? There is no use in asserting that the streets cannot be kept free from the alternations of ice and half-frozen slush by which the comfort and health of the whole City were destroyed. There are ample provisions of funds to make it otherwise. It is intolerable that for months the snow should lie undisturbed, that the sidewalks should be dangerous, that the roads should be impassable for months together, when there is a department whose duty it is to prevent this state of things. If the pay is not enough, though it would be if there were not heavy calls made upon it by politicians, let it be raised. In the name of humanity and common decency, let us have some approach to honest service this time.

How many more warnings will people want against leaving their front doors unlocked? Within the last two or three days we have recorded nearly a dozen cases of robbery, all of which might easily have been guarded against. The particulars might stand unaltered for every affair of the kind; the family go in to dinner, the servants are busy, the thieves quietly walk in through an unfastened door or window, and presently a quantity of "portable property" is missing. People will not take the trouble to turn a key or draw a bolt. They think it is the duty of the Police to look after them. The Winter has only just begun, and the thieves have not yet shown us half they can do. If, as we suspect, some experienced hands from abroad have joined the regular fraternity, we may look out for a heavy run on the family plate and jewel boxes. Would it do any harm for householders to take a little pains in their own behalf, instead of depending on impossible achievements from the Police?

When newspapers which do not regularly employ wood engravers come out with "illustrations," the effect is generally to make us wonder whether we are really living in an era of cultivated taste, or one of sheer barbarism. A contemporary which we will not name, because it does not often run quite so wild as it does this week, comes out with what it gravely calls a "jubilee" number; not that it has existed fifty or a hundred years, but because the word jubilee sounds Scriptural and big. There are two pictures—both vile enough to be eligible for admission to the "National" Academy of Design. In one a fearful being is blowing a ram's horn—portrait, perhaps, of the writer, who clearness burns forth, when a stroke of eccentric rapture becomes a miracle, has been wrought, and the paper [illegible] at Cairo, which we published yesterday, gave many interesting details concerning the state on which the Khedive was conducting his hospitalities. Egypt used not to produce all the luxuries included in the bill of fare laid before the guests; has perhaps the Khedive has imported large stocks of food to suit the European taste. Our correspondent's letter strengthens the impression that the Khedive must be "outrunning the constable." In days when manufactured correspondence is not infrequently sold for the genuine article, it may be permitted to us to mention that we published on Monday last the first special letter received from the East with reference to the Suez Canal. A contemporary boldly took this credit to itself yesterday, but it generally appears rather puzzled to make out whose its own foreign correspondence comes from, or when it is written.

We hope it is not true that the Russian Minister to this country has denied that any cruelties have been practised toward the Jews by his own Government, because that would imply a lack of information on his part relative to events actually occurring in the dominions of his master. The cruel treatment of the Jews in Western Russia has been a subject of comment for some time in Europe. One writer says, "such heartrending, brain-maddening misery as the three million Jews in these ill-fated regions are now enduring is without a parallel in modern history." This comes from the Berlin correspondent of the London *Times*—one of the most careful and conscientious men who ever consented to act in a very thankless and disagreeable position, as a "special correspondent's" must always be. There can be no doubt that men, women and children have been reduced to the most horrible privations. Most nations have grown ashamed of persecuting a race whose wondrous history, and whose fortitude under vast misfortunes, would alone entitle them to forbearance and respect. It is hard to believe that a ruler who freed tens of thousands of serfs is responsible for reviving the barbarities of the middle ages.

The Red River folk with their "provisional government" and show of independent nationality, are still filling the Fenians with admiration and the keen pangs of envy. And yet these hyperborean "Reds" may only be preparing for another *fiasco*—to employ a word found in Mr. MCCOOLE'S late fighting manifesto. Their provisional government was, at the date of the last account, in a state of indecision approaching that of Spain, and hesitated between a compromise with Governor MCDOUGALL, annexation to the United States, an independent Republic, or a return to the government of the Hudson's Bay Company! The end of this is evident—that last clause suggests it. They will all go to the Hudson's Bay Government, which, as most contemporary historians know, is already sold out and gone; so that the half-and-half provisionals of the Red River will, in all likelihood, go after it.

Professor STEELE, in his lecture at the Cooper Institute, drew attention to what would be an excellent addition to our amount of social science—the employment of electricity to cure diseases without knocking people down, and he shocked some persons present very agreeably by way of illustration. This use of so powerful an agency reminds us of those curious experiments lately made by M. MOUCHET, a Frenchman, who, in his book, *Chaleur Solaire*, shows how the sun, by means of burning glasses, could be made to dress victuals—"cooking carrion," as *Hamlet* would say. The Frenchman is confident that he could also move machinery with his sunbeams; which is not improbable—though, as in the case of Mrs. GLASSE'S hare, we think he would have to catch them first, in most northern climates. We suspect his machinery in Winter would have to "run on half time." Still, our STEELES and MOUCHETS, the scientific experimenters, and, as Lord VERULAM calls them, "conquerors of necessity," are highly worthy of all respect and encouragement, since their discoveries tend to increase the comfort of human society.

When monsters come, they come not singly, but in very noticeable clusters. After the Onondaga giant—to say nothing of the sea serpent seen once more by the master of a sailing vessel—we have the fragmentary monster of our Chicago correspondent; and the last seems a genuine article—an honest kind of monster—or rather the bones of some ancient mastodon, megatherium or megalonyx. We have had many specimens of such remains on this continent, such as the megalonyx of Virginia, and the bones just found in Dupage County, and described by Dr. A. H. HLATT, need not excite the doubts attached to those other wonders. They seem to have belonged to some animal of the largest size—one of the precursors of our own race on the lacustrine and jungle-covered earth—and our paleontologists will be greatly interested in "setting them up" and trying to find out the particular class to which the original owner properly belonged.

The Book of Genesis—Letter from Professor Agassiz.

From the Pittsburg (Penn.) Commercial, Dec. 1.

A paragraph has been going the rounds of the Press that Professor LOUIS AGASSIZ, in a lecture at Cambridge, denied the truth of the Book of Genesis as recorded in the Bible. Professor CLARK, of Scenery Hill, Washington County, Penn., sent the paragraph to Professor AGASSIZ, and received the following reply:

Dr. R. Clark, Scenery Hill, Penn.:

SIR: Two or three weeks since I received a letter from you inclosing an extract from a newspaper, regarding a lecture delivered by me in Harvard. I am little in the habit of noticing things of this kind, being convinced that often it is useless, and having become from long habit somewhat callous to misrepresentation.

Something in the tone of your letter makes me answer, unwilling to leave it unanswered, and I write to say that the statement you sent me is false. In some opening remarks of a course on geology, which I am now delivering in the University, I said that the "theological interpretation of the Book of Genesis giving six thousand years as the age of the world was a hindrance to the understanding of geological evidence, and no one who started with this idea, and allowed his researches to be influenced by it, could be a geologist."

I do not remember my exact words, the lecture being extemporaneous; but this is the substance, and I know that I did not say what your newspaper extract reports.

I am, yours, &c.,
L. AGASSIZ.

CAMBRIDGE, Nov. 12, 1869.

Miss Bateman in Brooklyn.

Miss BATEMAN acts at the Brooklyn Academy of Music this evening and to-morrow. "Mary Warner" will be the drama on both nights.

Dedication of the New Building of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Addresses by Vice-President Colfax, Governor Fenton, S. S. Cox, Rev. Dr. Adams and Others.

To say that there was a large gathering present at the dedication of the new building of the Young Men's Christian Association last evening, would be superfluous. The large hall and every room adjoining was crowded almost to suffocation. The main features of the building have already been published in the TIMES. A slight sketch of the history of the Association, however, may not be inappropriate. It was incorporated in July, 1852, with 119 members. The rooms first occupied were in the Stuyvesant Institute, No. 659 Broadway. DANIEL LORD, Esq., delivered an address when the society first occupied these rooms. The idea of a separate building was early thought of, and a report as to its necessity made in 1855, when the Association numbered 1,000 members. In 1854 the Association removed to rooms in Clinton Hall, Astor-place. In 1858 a portion of the University building, No. 48 Waverley-place, was leased for three years. While in these rooms a division occurred on the question of slavery, and some 180 members seceded from the Association. In May, 1856, the Association removed to rooms corner of Twelfth-street and Broadway. In 1860 the Association moved again, this time to the Bible House. Through the efforts of this Association the Army Christian Commission was formed in 1861. In 1864 the rooms on the corner of Fifth-avenue and Twenty-second-street were hired and fitted up. Since that time the growth of the Society has been constant. It now numbers more than 3,000 members.

The Association has had seven Presidents: O. P. Woodford, H. Crosby, S. W. Stebbins, B. F. Manierre, S. G. Goodrich, P. H. Vernon and M. R. Dodge, Jr. In 1868 the work of raising funds for the erection of a new building was seriously entered upon. In 1867 subscriptions to the fund had reached $212,000, and the six and one-half lots on which the building stands, had been purchased. On the 15th of January, 1868, ground was broken, and in October, 1869, the corner stone of the magnificent building dedicated last night, was laid.

THE DEDICATORY EXERCISES.

The exercises last evening were held in the large lecture room. On the platform were Hon. Schuyler Colfax, Governor J. T. Hoffman, Bishop Janes, Rev. Dr. Tyng, Sr., George Stuart, Major-General Howard, Hon. W. E. Dodge, Hon. Andrew Green, Drs. De Witt, Crosby, Hall and Schaff, Mr. Dabney, Mr. M. K. Jesup, General Casey, and many others.

The exercises began with a voluntary on the organ by Prof. Morgan. Rev. Dr. DE WITT then read a portion of the Scriptures.

The entire audience then joined in singing a dedicatory hymn, written for the occasion by A. D. F. RANDOPH, Esq. Rev. Dr. TYNG, Sr., then made the following dedicatory prayer:

DR. TYNG'S PRAYER.

Oh, Lord God, may Thy presence be in this Thy temple, and the whole earth keep silence before Thee. From the rising of the sun even unto the setting thereof may Thy name be known upon the earth and Thy saving help among all nations. Except the Lord build the house, they labor but in vain that build it. We have heard concerning Thee, O God, that Thy house, holy and beautiful, is one which fathers have built as a temple in which their sons may praise Thee through generations yet to come. We, Thy people, bow humble to dedicate to Thy holy service, and for the important and profitable uses and purposes for which it has been conceived and designed here, as the voices of prayer and praise ascend to Thee from the varied nations in fellowship and communion, may Thy blessing be on the work we shall accomplish here. May Thy fatherly eye be opened to them at all times, and Thy heavenly benediction descend upon them from on high. Let the influence of Thy Spirit be poured upon those who seek them here. Here earthly science expands and expands itself, wonderful discoveries and clues for the exaltation and the advancement of the intellect and the concerns of the immortal spirit are stolen together here. May Thy wisdom impart an ability to those who teach, and a readiness to receive improvement and advantage among those who listen. Here are assembled the young men of Thy church, and honor the great purpose for which this house has been erected. Here, as cheerful enjoyment presents its stimulant to youthful energy and youthful congeniality, may Divine calm and Divine peace rest in the midst of those who assemble always restraining, guiding and controlling the expressions and the wildness of every joy; that it shall be for the promotion of Thy great cause, and for the cultivation of those graces, virtues and habits of life of those who participate therein. Here bodily exercise is permitted and encouraged, to extend and to perfect health and the ability for full and labor among those who shall assemble here to fulfil the purpose of their Maker and purpose. May Thy gracious eye at all times guard from danger, from every accident, and bring the new edification, enjoyment and satisfaction to those who are engaged. Here, as the ministration of Thy holy word proclaims from time to time the doctrines of a free salvation in that Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world, can cleanse from sin, may Thine own spirit descend to accompany the word, carrying it home to many hearts, and sanctifying many souls, and elevating many spirits in adoring and thankful worship to Thee; and to whatever important and useful purposes this building shall be consecrated, as its history goes on, may Thy greatest care be over it, over Thy divine Providence over guard it, and Thy love and heavenly blessing rest over and abide there in. Prosper all the undertakings that are erected here for the honor of Thy name. Here, bless the multitude of Thy children in this, and in all the institutions where Thy providence shall lead to this vast City filled with temptations of evil, and beset with sinners. Toward the young, let Thy divine care be ever exercised, that Thy spirit may give them in obtaining adequate and proper intelligence, which shall have to provide for them. And grant, oh, God! that from generation to generation this edifice may remain a family mansion for the name of Jesus; aye! whose name these youth assemble to establish and dignify. Young men in a Christian association unite for mutual edification, combine to spread the knowledge and the power of Thy Church, for out of Thee are increasing things in ever most glorious and blessed ways! Let it be in another generation, to all those who shall occupy and dwell here in. And now, oh Lord, we dedicate this temple, thus prepared and fitted for the purpose, solemnly to Thee. May Thy blessing rest upon all who shall come to this place, as it has been established, and by whose wisdom and energy and skill it is to be maintained in usefulness and power. May Thy divine acceptance and favor attend this place, and Thy blessing be here united in liberal gifts to advance those liberal and noble works, and may they find that there is a pleasure and joy even here return unto those who seek to greater blessing for those who are dead. Raise in every year new friends to the Association; in every year increasingly record that faithfully loved and blessed are treasured upon them. May their work be prospered in the Lord, and the smile of the Lord of Hosts be ever with them. And now, in solemn consecration of this house to Thee, we desire to unite heart and spirit to give forth the sacred words of our Saviour, in the hope of his inaugurate His kingdom and do unto Him upon earth.

ADDRESSES OF THE OCCASION.

Immediately after prayer, Mr. WM. E. DODGE, Jr., delivered a short address on the future prospect of the building. He alluded in forcible terms to the great necessity of such a building, and the influence it would yield in molding the destinies of young men. He then introduced Vice-President COLFAX, who was received with hearty applause. Mr. COLFAX said:

ADDRESS OF VICE-PRESIDENT COLFAX.

Mr. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I came hither to-night from the capital because the invitation of your officers was one I could not resist. The name of your Association embodies and betokens Christian unity, and Christian unity means Christian power and strength. But, better than all else, Christian concord and friendship! With all the difficulties, and powers, and temptations of evil so thoroughly organized around us, and these outward enticements reinforced so potentially by those from within, the sharp, contentious words of doctrinal disputations and ecclesiastical strife among religious denominations are both saddening and discouraging. And my heart leaps up when I hear of Christian union, like that glorious reconciliation of the Presbyterian Assemblies—the island of antagonism which so long divided them being removed—and the reunited stream flowing onward with far more powerful and majestic current. Brethren, I speak for myself, I have never regarded the division of the Christian world into different denominations as necessarily an evil in its results. Surely there are more professors of religion satisfied with their creed and their church government in the aggregate than there would be if one denomination upon the earth. And, rightly administered, harmoniously controlled and overruled, there may be power in this apparent diversity. These various denominations may be compared to an army, with its differing and yet recorded divisions. There must be the infantry, which, firm as a rock, moves in serried phalanx on the foe. There must be the cavalry, with its brilliant dash. There must be the artillery, which shakes the earth with its ponderous volleys. There must be the sappers and miners, clearing and overcoming every natural obstacle in their progress. There must be the medical corps, which when wounds to save, and the commissaries, who sustain exhausted nature with their food. While on river, and lake, and seaboard glide the navy, whose home is on the water, strengthened by monitor, and iron-plated, and frigate, and gunboat, their consorts, whose sole is on the land. Each in its sphere of duty seems variant or even discordant. But, listening to the orders of the great Captain over them all, out of this apparent diversity come compact unity and resistless force. So have I regarded the various religious denominations of the world. If, beyond all that divides and distinguishes them, they can come forward, and hear the words, and obey the injunctions of the Captain of our salvation, what unconquerable power may be found in all these departments of this voluntarily enrolled army, keeping sole only to the celestial music that calls upon them, thus obeying, every. One of the most gratifying and auspicious indications of religious progress in the past quarter of a century has been the birth, and rapid and vigorous growth, of the organization by which, and honorably known as the Young Men's Christian Association. It has stemmed to leave, almost at one bound, self-governing its sphere of usefulness. Maintaining all participation in the denominational conflicts of the Christian churches, its banner, white banner, has not inscribed on it only one word. But it is a banner that has selected the poor in their poverty, the weak in their weakness, the friendless in their friendlessness, the miserable in their misery, the sick in their sickness, and the dying in their dying. And that one word, under whose inspiration the Association has grown and spread has been the simple, free, in Christ. One great impulse given to this good work was by the United States Christian Commission during the war, twin sister to the Sanitary Commission, and both angels of mercy, which, that in the history of the world's end was ever seen with our armies to succor and to cure, and returned with their victories from the battle-fields of disease, and even from death itself, from whose joy grave they rescued so many tens of thousands, by their more than resurrection hand. Blessed in that Christian work the divine walls of mercy were given to the nation in fathers and sons, and children, and husbands, and brothers, and lovers, leading hither the nation to a higher plane of manhood than it had ever before touched, another of the speakers was in exhilarating, in a joint and harmonious way, those who, from opposing pulpits, had often preached opposing sermons at each other. Of the special objects of the Association in this City others are to speak to-night. I can only remark that if it has been justly said that the man who makes two blades of grass grow where but one grew before is a public benefactor, how much nobler the glory of him who rescues and tempted fellow-man from the dangers of temptation. If we are commanded to pray "Lead us not into temptation," how can we adequately honor him who leads us out of temptation, and places our feet upon a rock of safety! His is the right to a royal title, say indeed, one of the children of God. More even than this, if more were possible. Property may perish, man may die, this magnificent building may pass away; no, not "may"—all this shall happen. But a good deed never dies. It is as immortal as the throne from whence all good emanates. It will live in its example, it will live in its fruits, it will live in its influence, even when earth and sun and sky are known no more forever. It is, then, the richest fortune in life, the most priceless possession at death; for, after enjoying the inner consciousness of its happiness here, inspiration assures you that you shall listen to its record hereafter, when the whole world will listen to it too. I would not detracts from the great and beneficent influence of church associations in their respective spheres of duty and religious progress. But after all they are but planets, deriving their power to sweep in their wide-reaching orbits, from the great central sun, which is the Throne of God. Pardon me if I remind you here, in closing, of Jacob Wesley's memorable dream. You remember that he thought he stood at the very gate of Heaven, and he asked, thinking first of the denomination he loved above all others, "Are there any Methodists there?" And over the battlements came the answer, "No." "Are there then any Presbyterians there?" was the next inquiry. But the same voice again replied, "No." And then he asked of Episcopalians and Baptists, and all, with similar responses. But at last he desperingly inquired, "Who, then, are there?" And the answer came back, full of melody and love, "Christians;" and the gates opened, and there was no strife, nor discord, nor antagonism there, but all was unity, and peace and joy. So may I be allowed to say, that while each Church may be a pillar of beauty and strength in a majestic and divine temple of faith, your Association is like the dome, which unites while it protects all, and on which is emblazoned, in letters resplendent with more than the light of the sun at noonday, these words of love and power, "Christian unity."

REV. WILLIAM ADAMS, D.D., of the Madison-square Presbyterian Church, narrated a dream he had some years ago, on the necessity of having a place where young men could go to. He was glad to find his dream realized. Millions were spent to build club houses, but no money could be better spent than that devoted toward the erection of this building. He was an advocate of muscular Christianity, and was glad to find the building would be devoted to training the youth in everything which could make them successfully fight the battle of life.

Rev. Dr. KENDRICK remarked that the building was a grand Ebenezer, definitely marking the triumph and progress of Christianity. It was a magnificent home, to which the cream and choice of clergymen could not except. It was not a club house, but a sacred secular edifice.

Congratulatory telegrams were received from associations in Baltimore, Montreal and Brooklyn.

REMARKS OF GOVERNOR HOFFMAN.

Governor HOFFMAN was the next speaker. His appearance was the signal of loud applause. He said that Rev. Dr. Kendrick was placed in very dangerous position, being sandwiched between two men to whom an uncharitable world persisted in calling politicians. Anywhere but in the midst of a Christian association he might have felt the need of muscular Christianity, but in that building he was free from danger. He came as Governor of the State of New-York to tender official congratulations upon the completion of that beautiful building; it deserved not only his personal sympathies, but the official sanction of the Chief Magistrate of the State. He did not forget when he first came to New-York, twenty-two years ago. Then the boarding houses lay south of the City Hall and Fourteenth-street was away out of town. Beyond Fourteenth-street only a few hardy pioneers had dared to plant their residences. The great City had so grown itself that of those in attendance two-thirds were above Twenty-third-street. But then the City houses and churches were all below—now all were above. The City had grown in wealth and power, and they would help to make it grow. There were young men present who knew what it was to reside in a great city, without knowing where to go for social enjoyment, and absolutely homeless. The necessity for such a building was therefore apparent. The object of the organization was to do good, and that ought to be the great fundamental idea of the Christian no matter of what persuasion. It was to reach men's hearts by the power of good works, to teach love, to approach through love and charity the hearts of men of all denominations and nationalities. No association could prosper if it had a spirit of intolerance and judged men's moral standard by their own. Even legislative enactments could not change men's consciences, and even statutory enactments were found to be often made to punish that which was not in itself wrong, but which was perhaps misused. Let the temple stand devoted to good works, a gathering place for all the population of this vast City, a monument of energy. And, my friends, notwithstanding I have said something in favor of legislation, I beg to assure you, if you need anything this Winter to help you with this enterprise—if you come to Albany, unless the bill is a very objectionable one, I will promise not to veto it. (Great laughter and applause.)

Letters were read from Governor FISH, Ex-Governor SEYMOUR and Governor BUCKINGHAM, excusing non-attendance.

Major-General O. O. HOWARD delivered a stirring address on the grand work accomplished by the Association in Washington, its noble object, the results expected, and the necessity of constant work in order achieve something toward the conversion of sinners.

Other addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. BIDGAWAY, Rev. Dr. THOMPSON and Rev. ISAAC FERRIS, D. D., LL.D., after which the dedication ceremony concluded.

Singular Attempt at Suicide.

A singular attempt to commit suicide occurred last evening, between 5 and 6 o'clock, upon the North River. ROBERT LUNON, a newly-arrived emigrant, sprang into the water from the ferry boat *Morristown*, just after she had left her slip at the foot of Barclay-street, in this City. He had not been long in the water before he began to cry for help. Citizens and boat hands rushed to his rescue, and he was soon taken out. He was taken to the Station House, and cared for. He then stated that he intended to commit suicide, but that he had known that the water was as cold as it was he would not have attempted it then. The motive of the act was the loss of his wife. He had sent her from Germany by the ship which sailed last previous to this, and brought him hither. Upon his arrival here he discovered that she had deserted him and had married another man. Since then he has been in a half-insane state.

New-York State Poultry Show.

This exhibition, though only the second of the Society, is a most admirable one. The fish ponds are arranged and prove a most charming addition to the show. J. H. STACE, of Bloomsburg, N. J., exhibits in this line. He has brought specimens of trout of different ages and development. In the first stage are seen the ova placed in shallow tin boxes on tiny rods of glass. In the second stage are small trout of different sizes, all, however, quite young. In the third stage are adult trout. Dr. STACE has made a most singular discovery in the natural history of fishes. The cold-blooded creatures, he says, are highly capable of affection one for another. In one of his ponds are a pair of trout, male and female, that for several months have been inseparable. The female is of a most tyrannical disposition. She has lost one eye in some one of her many encounters. On the other hand, the male is gentle and submits meek readily to her furious temper. The system of hatching fish above referred to is the same as that carried out by Colonel BUCKLAND, in the River Tay, in Scotland, and is not only a most interesting process but also a highly lucrative one. Since its introduction into the British Isles the river fisheries have grown tenfold more profitable. The grown fish feed on flesh in defaulting of small fishes. The ova and fountains are lately and carefully carried any distance either by rail or steamer.

The poultry are in all respects first-class birds. Mrs. MARY SHURLOCK exhibits largely. We wish more American ladies would follow her example. Mrs. Shurlock also has complimented some very high-bred birds. Mr. D. GAYTY's crested turkey is a most singular example of the turkey species. He ought to take a gold medal; his unique appearance alone entitles him to it. Some broad Spanish cockerels are noble looking, and their weight is heavy. Most of the usual rest of turkeys. The Aylesbury ducks rival those of Birmingham, as also do the geese of several varieties, both domestic and wild. Brahmas, Hamburgs, Polish fowls, Cochins and game birds are there in abundance, and the difficulty for the judges will be to choose among an much excellence. There is not one bad coop of fowls in the show. CLUTON's portable folding coop is such a boon to breeders that we are happy to call public attention to it. It is light and safe and commodious, and packs easily. The good people of New-York have a treat before them in this exhibition.

CASTE.

Senator Sumner's Address at Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, Last Evening.

A numerous and highly intellectual audience was present at Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, last evening, drawn thither to listen to a discourse on "Caste," the orator of the occasion being Hon. CHARLES SUMNER, United States Senator from Massachusetts. A very large proportion of the audience was made up of ladies. At 8 o'clock Mr. SUMNER made his appearance on the platform, and was greeted with applause. He began by saying that fifteen years since, amid the contest with slavery, he spoke from this platform. Since then man have died, and men have lived in their works. A note which he found on the desk before him reminded him of this. He then read the note, which mentioned the fact that JOHN BROWN died on the 2d of December—this being the anniversary of his death. In asking the audience to consider the question of caste, he begged them to remember that it was opposed to God's law, which proclaimed the unity of the human family. He found it easy for himself to discard all distinctions made because of the accident of birth. Because man is black or yellow he is none the less a man. Did time permit he would unfold the function of Government as bearing on this great question. The time was at hand when Government will be regarded simply as the science of justice on earth. But to apply this science we must understand the laws which govern it. "Know thyself," was the motto inscribed on the temple at Delphi. The oracle is dead, but the sentiment lives, and will survive the ages. St. Augustine says: "Man admire the altitude of mountains, and the rolling of great waves, but forget themselves." Taking counsel from the most pensive of the Christian Fathers, he proposed to consider the position of man in the universe. Caste was a term describing a condition of things known in India—that India whose practical condition was born of impossible fable. "Caste" was modern, it came from the Portuguese *casta*, and meant that the condition of the father; he if high or low, descended absolutely to the child. After describing the caste distinction of the Hindoos, Mr. SUMNER proceeded to say: Now in our own Republic, born of yesterday, the Brahmin is the white man, and the claim is put forward that this is a white man's Government; and as if conscious that this assumption needs and invites apology, it is boldly based upon the ground that men are not all of one common origin. The Scriptures tell us differently. St. Paul, when standing in the midst of Mars Hill, said, "God hath made of one blood all the nations of the earth." When the advocates of caste are thus driven from a scriptural foundation, they take refuge in science. But in this science is at fault. Originally the whole human family was divided into four castes, or differences in complexion, or in configuration of the head, or in language. An honest and well-meaning German brought into these divisions another class—the Caucasian, and at this time the attempt is made to divide the race into sixty-five distinctions. Philology, however, has lately proven to us that all languages have one common stock; and the Sanscrit to-day stands forth as the first language of the human family. The speaker then went on to show that over and above all the divisions of the human race there was one universal ordering law; that there was in all the distinctions of the race a common tendency in physiognomy; that to each and every one was given that great instrument of the Creator, the human hand. He quoted from Humboldt, who insists on the unity of the human family, and repels the idea that there are on earth superior and inferior races of men. Anatomy testifies that mankind are emphatically one.

Mr. SUMNER adduced a variety of illustrations of the leading idea of his lecture, and closed by saying that this country was a Republic, and it will become, like Cain, a fugitive and vagabond on the earth. He pleaded for humanity; he pleaded especially for the African. He may be barbarous and savage now; so have others been. If we are his superiors, by so much the more are we bound to be his helpers; by so much the more are we bound to assist him, to whom so much is given, from him much will be required. Let the law of unity be practically enforced here, and it will be spread abroad over the earth with speed. We have great powers at hand, the printing press and the steam engine and others, by which the world is made to move only onward forward but fixed; like the wheel of the Alpine engine, it cannot turn backward. These are greater than Greece and Rome, and we can better lose Homer and Virgil than the printing press and the steam engine. Add to these their young handmaiden, the electric telegraph, and what is there of civilized and of virtuous if indeed virtue be not the highest culture—that man may not reach! The promises of Christianity, in harmony with the promises of science, will make for us the noonday of glory, national and universal. Let caste be stricken out and our great Republic will become more than ever an example, and an object of hope, and will feel its influence. The great question of caste cannot be settled save on the ground of justice. Often had he said, in other places, and in reference to another matter, no question in agitation can be settled except on the ground of justice and rights. He said the same now regarding this question of caste. It is agitating our people as once did the issue of slavery, and will never find its solution until the eternal principle of justice prevails. In conclusion he asked his auditory to consider this question calmly. Let the Chinese have an equal chance with all the others. Our nation is typical of a very law of unity. Here are all distinctions of race, all differences of caste will be lost by mingling together in one grand nationality, as the waters of the distinctive rivers lose their identity in the vast ocean into which they pour.

Senator Sumner's Address To-night.

Hon. CHARLES SUMNER delivers his great speech on "Caste," at Steinway Hall, to-night. The orator will, without doubt, have an audience largely composed of the most intelligent classes of our people. There is a very general desire to hear his latest utterance on this fruitful topic, and those who defer obtaining their tickets until after nightfall will have a slim chance of gaining admission to the Hall. The address will not be delivered again in this City.

DARTMOUTH ALUMNI.

Anniversary Dinner at Delmonico's—Speeches by Senator Patterson, Rev. Dr. Taylor, E. B. Kimball, and Others—Annual Election of Officers.

The Alumni of Dartmouth College residing in this City and vicinity, who number between one and two hundred, and who have organized themselves into a society called the "Dartmouth College Association of the City of New-York," celebrated their sixth anniversary by a dinner at DELMONICO's last evening. Among the prominent Alumni and invited guests present, were Senator Patterson, of New-Hampshire; President Allen, of Union College; Benj. F. Flanders, Ex-Governor of Louisiana; Richard B. Kimball, author of *St. Leger*; President Samuel Taylor, of Phillips' Academy, Andover, Mass.; Professor Mark Bailey, of Yale College; Professor Woodman, of Dartmouth; Edward De Forest; John H. Hand, Esq.; Daniel G. Rollins, Jr.; Edward Tuck, Ex-Vice-Consul to Paris, and others.

FERNE F. SMITH, Esq., Vice-President of the Association, presided, in the absence of DAVID E. WHEELER, the President, and on the removal of the cloth inaugurated the intellectual part of the entertainment by calling upon the company to sing the "Dartmouth Ode," written by Professor Young, Orator, and beginning with the words, "*Gaudeamus fratres, sunt tollamus poeem.*" At the conclusion of the ode, which was sung by the entire company standing, Professor FEASLER read a letter from Rev. A. D. SMITH, President of Dartmouth College, who regretted his inability to be present on account of illness, and congratulated the Alumni upon the increased prosperity of the College, financially and otherwise, and announced a new contribution of $5,000 to the College library from a lady of Boston.

The Chairman then proceeded with the regular toasts in their order, and follows:

1. *Our Good Mother's Second Century.* Response by President AIKEN, of Union College.
2. *The Age.* Response by Professor JOHN OGDEN.
3. *The Annual Dinner of the Alumni in New-York.* Response by G. D. ROLLINS, Jr.
4. *The Supreme Court of the United States.* Response by Senator PATTERSON.
5. *The Congress of the United States.* Response by Senator TUCK.
6. *Collegiate Education.* Response by R. B. KIMBALL.
7. *The State of New-Hampshire.* Response by Ex-Governor GILMORE, of New-Hampshire.
8. *Our Sister Columbia.*
9. *Dartmouth's Sons in New-York.* Response by H. BUNNER.
10. *The Revenue of the Country.*
11. *The Press.* Response by MATTHEW HALE SMITH.
12. *The Medical Profession.* Response by Professor FEASLER.

Chief Justice CHASE had promised to be present, and was expected to respond to the fourth toast, but at a late hour last evening sent a letter announcing his inability to attend.

D. G. ROLLINS, Jr., made a very humorous response to the third toast, which kept the company in a roar of laughter.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

FORT-AU-PRINCE, Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1869.

SALNAVE seems to be preparing for the worst. He is concentrating his forces and putting up cannon wherever there is an available place in the city, in defiance of beauty. The palace is surrounded with cannon, also; and it is said it is SALNAVE's intention to pull down the buildings and houses in the neighborhood of the palace the better to protect his position. It is reported that the treasury *Fopend* has made common cause with the revolutionists. It is anticipated that the present warlike appearance of things here is the precursor of bad times and great trouble for the city. At the present time there is not a single man-of-war of any nation in port, to protect foreigners in case of emergency. General VIL LUBIN arrived here and was well received by President SALNAVE; who immediately appointed him to the command of Port Bisshon, from which place, however, he has suddenly disappeared. Produce is coming in, but business is stagnant. Exchange is at 2600.

PROCLAMATION BY SALNAVE.

The following proclamation, which confirms the news of CHEVALIER's defection, appeared in the Government organ, the *Moniteur*, the 6th of November:

To the People and to the Army:

HAITIANS: After the unfortunate surrender of the army of Gonaives, under the command of VICTORIN CHEVALIER; after the unwarrantable conduct of the Minister of Finance, who had committed at the capital during my sojourn at Camp Bondet, I nevertheless ventured to nominate him to the high position of Minister of War and Marine, to satisfy his insatiable ambition and the better to have an eye upon his injurious and hypocritical retrogressions.

Shortly after, at the head of the army besieging Jacmel, he has from the nature of his high functions—after two months' sojourn before that city—betrayed my confidence and raised the standard of revolt at the head of the army he commanded, without redecting that he contributed, by that act of infamy, to augment the evils which for so long a time afflicted our unfortunate country.

Haytians! It is on the 4th of this month of November that VICTORIN CHEVALIER betrayed his command, in pretending that the army under his orders had voluntarily bestowed on Him the title of chief of the popular army—and in using the name of General VIL LUBIN as Provisional President, and in seeking, finally, to seduce from allegiance General JEAN CHRISOSTON NEPTUNE, Commandant of the Department of the West, and HENRY RAMACCA, Commandant of the District of Léogane. These two honorable officers have done their duty toward me by remitting me their dispatches addressed to them. They have done worthily. I congratulate them.

This act, without example in our political antecedents, instead of embolding me, adds to my stability. For, as I have proclaimed in the nation, in the face of God and of man, I will chastise all those traitors; I will purge society from these ambitious men who infest it; I will reëstablish public order and national security.

In consequence thereof, VICTORIN CHEVALIER, Ex-Secretary of State for War and Marine, is placed without the pale of the law. All citizens are invited to abandon him, and the officers generally of the army are absolved from all obedience to him.

Given at the National Palace of Port-au-Prince, 6th November, 1869, and the sixty-sixth year of Independence. S. SALNAVE.

Some Reasons Why the State Should Not be Divided.

From the Utica Herald, Dec. 2.

In part influenced by the gross frauds perpetrated in New-York City and Brooklyn, the cry was raised last Winter by certain interior journals, "Divide the State and let the river counties set up for themselves and work out their own salvation." The recent election experience has renewed the agitation which had subsided for a time. It is urged that Democratic frauds will continue to deprive the honest majority of the voters in the State of the controlling voice; that the Legislature as now constituted cannot retain purity so long as New-York City influences are felt in its halls. Hence, let us separate and give over to its consequences the wickedness of the eastern counties.

Such counsels seem to us both unwise and ungenerous. Unwise, for the reason, because the interior State would be at the mercy of Manhattan, as the new State would probably be called, for a seaport. Ungenerous, in that the division would consign Manhattan bodily to the grasp of corruptionists. The great State of New-York cannot afford to be cut in two. Its position in the family of States is now commanding; its influence is great, and only restrained from being greater by fraud; its interests in the Erie Canal, the Hudson River and the seaboard are identical. There are as good men by far in the City, men who labor with a will to stay, and expose wrong doing. They look to the central and western counties to sustain them in their work. They know that by such help alone can they ever hope for protection from municipal corruption. At the first sight of the entire State to render such assistance. It is a desperate case they know no turn. The present reign of fraud must come to an end. That end may be hastened by earnest cooperation on the part of the interior counties with the honest workers of the Metropolis.

The interior of the State cannot permit itself to be cut off from the sea—more especially as its market-place would be under control of the very influences from which it calls for separation. The city will oppose division, as it finds municipal expenses sufficiently onerous, without the additional burden of maintaining a separate State Government. State pride alone would be sufficient assurance against division. Let us hear no more of it, but instead, let us have united endeavors to put down and rise above corruption.

The Powell Expedition—Fate of the New-lands and Dunn.

From the Denver (Col.) News, Nov. 25.

We are in receipt of the following letter from an old friend in Southern Utah. It doubtless is conclusive as to the fate of the three missing men of the Powell party. We hope to learn more particulars before long:

ST. GEORGE, Utah, Nov. 11.

W. N. BYRNS: Your letter received per last mail. In reply I will state that there were three men of the Colorado Exploring Expedition, under Major POWELL, killed by Indians about thirty or forty miles from this place. Friendly Indians came in and stated that three white men were found in a perishing condition by the Elk Ridge Indians, who took their camp, fed and recovered, and sent forward from this place on the regular trail; that on their way they came across a squaw gathering seeds, and that they debauched and shot her. This enraged the tribe, and they were pursued, fearfully murdered, and left for wolves to eat—not allowing whites even to go near them. It has been very well ascertained that the whole of this was a sheer fabrication, and that the Indians wantonly murdered the three men for what they had.

I talked with Major POWELL about these men, but did not write down the names. They left the Major and party on the mouth of the Pahsa, a creek emptying into the Colorado, about one hundred miles southeast of this. On account of the danger of passing down the rapids, they chose the dangers of land travel. The Major gave them his rations and ammunition. The party had little food, so they had to hunt for a living.

Major POWELL arrived here in seven or eight days after the three left him, all safe, and was anxious about the others.

I will take all possible measures to obtain all the facts and particulars in the matter, and write you. I don't think the bodies have been burned. Some friendly Indians might be induced, by good pay, to go out and gather and bring in the bones if desired. Yours truly, J. E. JOHNSON.

The Christmas Annuals.

All the London Christmas annuals have now come, and BRENTANO has them. Among them is Miss BRADDON's *Belgravia Annual*, full of the most ghostly of ghost stories and sensational literature, and TOM HOOD's *Comic Annual*. By the last English steamer BRENTANO also received the *Englishwoman's Almanac*, the last numbers of *Chambers*, and the *Sunday at Home* and the *Leisure Hour* for December.

Scientific Lectures.

The second course of scientific lectures before the American Institute, will be held in the great hall of the Cooper Union, commencing on Friday, Dec. 10, 1869, and continuing each Friday until Jan. 28, 1870. The lecturers are President WHITE, of Cornell University; Professor J. L. MORSE, of Salem, Mass.; Professor BARNES, of Yale College, New-Haven, Conn.; Professor C. C. DRAPER, of New-York; Professor MOTT, of New-York; Professor BARNARD, of Williams College, Massachusetts, and Dr. GOULD, of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

THE Arlington Hotel, Washington.—Messrs. T. ROBBLE & SON, formerly of the Delavan House, Albany, and present proprietors of the Fort William Henry Hotel, Lake George, have opened the Arlington, a first-class hotel in every respect, in Washington, D. C.

Position on Steam Engines.

The Harris Steam Engine (Corliss cut off) was awarded the first premium at the National Fair of the Institute, held in the Crystal Palace, in 1869, for superiority in economy in fuel, regularity in speed, perfect construction, accessibility of all its parts, and for a circular. One eighty, one forty and three twenty horse power, are for sale by WM. A. HARRIS, Providence, R. I. New-York office, No. 15 Murray-st. Advertisement.

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Notice for Shoulders Addressed to the Feeble and Debilitated.

This is a trying season for invalids, indeed for all who are not blessed with robust constitutions and iron frames.

Cold has come upon us suddenly, closing up the open pores, and sealing in as it were, any seeds of disease that may have been lurking in the system, but which remained undeveloped so long as the waste matter of the body and all acid and unwholesome humors were freely discharged by evaporation from the surface and through the bowels.

A tonic, aperient and alterative medicine is now needed to invigorate the vital powers, depressed by a low temperature; to stimulate and purify the secretions, and to fit the body to endure, without inconvenience, pain or danger, the sudden climatic change which ushers in the Winter.

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The NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, published THIS MORNING, contains the very latest telegraphic and general news; editorials on matters of current interest; a page of carefully-prepared commercial matter, giving the latest financial news and market reports; items of agriculture and domestic interest, especially prepared for the TIMES by a practical agriculturist, and marriages and deaths of the week, and other interesting reading matter.

The following table exhibits the leading features of this morning's issue:

Foreign Intelligence.

CABLE TELEGRAMS: Latest Telegraphic News from all Parts of the World.

GREAT BRITAIN: The Removal of the Remains of Mr. Peabody; Fenian Disturbances; Agitation in Commercial Circles.

FRANCE: Impeachment of Ministers Demanded; Comments on the Emperor's Speech.

SPAIN: Continuation of the History of the Great Work; The Difficulties Met and Surmounted; The Help Received from the Egyptian Government; The Preparations for the Celebration; Who Were Present; How They Were Received and Disposed of.

CHINA: Interview with the Chinese Embassy at Pekin; Why Ratification of the Treaty is Deferred; Confidence in Mr. Burlingame.

RUSSIA: Proposal to Commence the Cultivation of Cotton.

CUBA: More Reinforcements Received.

General Topics.

THE WEST: Report of the Cincinnati Board of Trade; Great Progress in Manufactures; Free Traders in the West; Resumption of Specie Payments; Wild Views of Finance.

MISCELLANEOUS: Another Large Bank Robbery; General Wilson's Lectures on Jeff. Davis; Sketch of the Leader of the Red River Rebels; A Battle in Kentucky; Fearful Typhoon off the Japanese Coast—The *Idaho* Disabled; The New-Orleans Frauds; The *Pall Mall Gazette* on Mr. Peabody; The Public Debt Statement; The Sinking Fund and Special Purchase Bonds; Expenditures of the Navy Department; The Pacific Mail Steamship Lines; The Busteed Case; The Circuit Judgeships; The Bible in the Public Schools.

Political.

Woman's Suffrage Meeting; The Elections in the Southern States and Minnesota; Latest Returns.

Local.

OUR OLD FOLKS: How the Churches are Caring for Them; The Various Charitable Institutions in this City—where they are, and how they are supported.

BRIE: Continuation of the Suit against Commodore Vanderbilt; Interesting Testimony of Daniel Drew, Alexander Allaire and Others; The Injunction against Ramsey and Others; The Right of one Judge to Review the Decision of Another.

MISCELLANEOUS: Another Fish Story; The Hell Gate Removal; The Drawback Frauds; Good News for Masons; Conclusion of the Inquest in the Geller-Wedekind Case; A Bold Crime; Naval Intelligence; Banquet of the St. Andrew's Society.

Agricultural.

The Construction and Management of Dairies; Seeding Peach Trees; Work for the Vineyard; Warm Beds for Pigs; Farmer's Head Work; Continuation of the Georgia State Fair; the New-York Poultry Show; English Farm Boys on Their Way to Kansas; Review of the Markets.

Editorial Comments.

Barnard vs. Barnard—How a Judge Protects the Erie Ring; America and China; the Germans and the Duty of the Republican Party; the Democratic Programme; the Georgia Imbroglio; the Public Debt Statement; the Proposed Isthmian Canal; Peru and the Spanish Gunboats.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The great Supreme Court sale of the Lorillard estate closed yesterday. The attendance was, as on the previous days, very good; there was no falling off in interest or attention; the bidding continued as prompt as at first, and the prices obtained were quite as satisfactory. The sale amounted to more than any other one made this season; the first day's results footed up $839,818; the second, $161,555, and yesterday the third, $119,910, making a total of $921,751.

At the Exchange Salesroom the attendance was quite respectable. Two sales were made, one by Messrs. E. H. LUDLOW & CO., of Flatbush property, the other by Messrs. MULLER, WILKINS & CO., of a house and lot on West Twenty-third-street. The particulars of the different sales are given below: Messrs. A. D. MERLIUCK, JR., & BRO., at private sale, recently disposed of thirty-five acres of ground at East Newark, N. J., for $26,250; one hundred acres of ground at Dunellen, N. J., for $34,000; fifty acres of ground at Cranford, N. J., for $8,250; and a house and lot of land, 50 by 126 feet, at Bergen Point, N. J., for $6,200.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

4-story brick house and lot on n. s. 23d-st., 184 ft. e. of 6th-av., lot 20x80 ..... $45,500

BROOKLYN.

By E. H. Ludlow & Co.

1 lot n. s. corner Woodside-av. and Shell road, 50x100 ..... $800
1 lot adjoining above, e. s. Shell road, 50x100 750
1 lot adjoining above, 50x100 170
1 lot adjoining above, 50x100 200
1 lot adjoining above, 50.6x100 200
1 lot n. s. Woodside-av., 57.5 ft. e. of Shell road, 50x100 170
1 lot s. s. corner Union-place and Brooklyn and Flatbush turnpike, 50x114 2,400
1 lot adjoining above, on Union-place, 50x105 1,400

FORDHAM PARK, WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.

1 plot, 1¼ acres, corner of Bleecker-st. and Newell-av. $5,750
1 plot, 1¼ acres on Bleecker-st., adjoining 1,300
1 plot, 1 2-11 acres, on Bleecker-st., adjoining 1,100
1 plot, 1 acre, corner of Bleecker-st. and East Canal-st. 800
1 plot, 1 acre, corner of Newell-av., adjoining 1,275
1 plot, 2 acres, on Newell-av., adjoining 2,000
6 lots, corner of Bleecker and East Canal sts., 25x100, each 75
4 lots on Bleecker-st., adjoining, 25x100, each 125
21 lots on Bleecker-st., adjoining, 25x100, each 200
12 lots on Bleecker-st., between Newell and Monroe aves., 25x100, each 140
1 block bounded by Bleecker and Monroe, Sheridan and Barker aves., 95 lots, each 125
1 block bounded by Bleecker and Fulton sts., Monroe and Barker aves., 95 lots, each 170
1 lot on Bleecker-st., between Barker and Elliott aves., each 125
20 lots on Elliott-av., corner Fulton-st., each 200
3 lots on Elliott-av., between Elliott and Barker aves., each 175
1 block bounded by Bleecker-st., Sheridan, Elliott and Barker aves., 95 lots, each 125
12 lots on Elliott-av., cor. Bleecker-st., each 150
3 lots on Elliott-av., adjoining, corner Sheridan-av., each 200
3 lots on Elliott-av., cor. Sheridan-av., each 220
4 lots on Fulton-st., cor. Barker-av., each 170
4 lots on Fulton-st., adjoining, each 155
4 lots on Fulton-st., adjoining, each 150
3 lots cor. Fulton-st. and Munroe-av., each 130
11 lots on Munroe-av., cor. Bleecker-st., each 130
4 lots on Munroe-av., cor. Sheridan-av., each 140
4 lots on Munroe-av., adjoining, each 130
4 lots on Munroe-av., adjoining, each 120
4 lots on Munroe-av., adjoining, each 120
4 lots on Munroe-av., adjoining, each 125
17 lots on Newell-av., corner of Bridge-st., each 75
4 lots on Newell-av., adjoining, each 75
4 lots on Newell-av., adjoining, each 75
4 lots on Newell-av., adjoining, each 80
4 lots on Newell-av., corner of Sheridan-av., each 125
4 lots on Newell-av., each 90
4 lots on Newell-av., adjoining, each 90
23 lots on East Canal-st., corner of Bridge, each 50
7 lots on Sheridan-av., corner East Canal-st., each 45
4 lots on Sheridan-av., adjoining, each 100
4 lots on Sheridan-av., corner Newell-av., each 110
8 lots on Sheridan-av., corner East Canal-st., each 100
12 lots on Sheridan-av., between Newell and Monroe aves., each 125
4 lots on Grant-av., corner Bleecker-st., each 125
4 lots on Newell-av., adjoining, each 110
12 lots on Grant-av., each 125
16 lots on Grant-av., adjoining, each 125
4 lots, corner of Newell and Grant aves., each 80
4 lots, corner of Newell and Grant aves., each 80
4 lots on Grand-av., adjoining, each 85
4 lots on Grand-av., adjoining, each 100
4 lots on Grand-av., adjoining, each 100
4 lots on Grand-av., adjoining, each 100
12 lots on Butler-st., corner of Newell-av., each 125
12 lots on Butler-st., each 125
4 lots on Butler-st., adjoining, each 150
2 block bounded by Butler-st., and Newell-av., 16 lots, each 200
16 lots on Butler-st., corner of Perry, each 225
12 lots on Perry-st., adjoining, each 125
8 lots on Perry-st., adjoining, each 125
1 lot on Perry-st., adjoining 200
1 plot, 1 acre on Butler-st. 1,400
1 plot, ½ acre on Butler-st., adjoining 600
1 plot, 2 acres, on Newell-av., adjoining 1,100
1 plot, about ½ acre, on Newell-av. adjoining 125
1 plot, about 2 acres, on Butler-st. 2,200
1 plot, ½ acre, on Munroe-av. 250
1 plot, ½ acre, on Munroe-av. 250
1 plot, 1 acre, corner Duffy-st. and Munroe-av. 600
1 plot, 1 14-100 acres, in rear of above 1,400
1 plot, ½ acre, corner Duffy-st. and Munroe-av. 400
1 plot, 2 acres, in rear of above 1,000
1 plot, 2 22-100 acres, on Munroe-av. 1,200
1 plot, ½ acre, on Munroe-av. 300
1 plot, ½ acre, on Munroe-av., adjoining 300
1 plot, 1 acre, on Munroe-av., adjoining 600
1 plot, 1 4-5 acres, on Munroe-av., corner of Duffy-st. 2,200
1 plot, 2 88-100 acres, on Munroe-av., corner of Duffy-st. 1,200
1 lot, n. s. n. s. 200 ft. w. of 9th-av., 50x100 21,000
Wykoff-st., n. s., 303.7 ft. e. of Carlton-av., 21.8x100 ..... Rom.
1 lot, n. s. 50 ft. w. of Smith 24-st., 25x75 3,100
North 6th-st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of 4th-st., 25x100 800
7th-st., n. s., 120 ft. w. of 2d-av., 40x100 7,000
11th-st., n. s., 80 ft. w. of 2d-av., 20x100 2,000
12th-st., n. s., 320.10 ft. w. of 5th-av., 25x100 4,100
Lawrence-st., n. s., 81.8 ft. w. of Portland-av., 16.8x100 2,500
De Kalb-av., n. s., 124.10 ft. w. of Clinton-av., 21.8x124.2x21.1x111.9x20.8 2,000
Fulton-av. and Jamaica Plank road and Herbert-st., 100 feet n. s. 1, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, block No. 3, J. I. Williams' estate, each 4,100
Lafayette-av., n. s., 120 ft. e. of Reid-av., 16x100 3,000
Railroad-av., w. s., 75 ft. s. of Willow-st., 25x100 750
Liberty-av., n. s., 50 ft. w. of Railroad-av., 25x100 750

Flatlands.

Mill road, s. s., adjoining Rem Kerman's, 104.9x100x7x101.8x104.4x100x3.8 ..... $7,000

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Gravesend to Coney Island road, e. s., adjoining J. Bedstrick's, 30x55 ..... Gift

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Astoria.

Astoria, New-Brighton, R. W. McKesson's 2 lots, each $700
Hallet's Cove, Jno. A. Ogden's lot, 50x100 300
Hallet's Cove, Thomas J. A. R. Lamont's lot, 50x100 and 2 lots, 50x100, each 1,000
Montgomery-av., (1st Ward,) New-Brighton, J. Vulkert, Jun. 1,000

Middletown.

Richmond road, Samuel R. Wood, 17x100 ..... $300
Richmond road, Dan. A. Lewis, 2 lots, 50x100 2,000

Newtown.

Shore road, Jno. A. Chambers, 24.8x100 ..... $2,000

Southside.

Cole's-av., Henry E. Mackhen's, 12 acres $6,300
Oder-av., (Concord Village,) D. Mackin's lot, 100x150 110

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Mount Pleasant.

Unionville to Tarrytown road, w. s., adjoining Harlem Railroad, 1½ acres $4,000

Morrisania.

Third-av., 2 ft. w. s., 160 ft. n. e. Unionport-st., 20x100 ..... $400
102d-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of Alexander-av., 50x100 10,000

Yonkers.

Summit-st., e. s., lot No. 2, R. Archer's property, 50x70 ..... $800

NEW-JERSEY.

Hudson City.

Monroe-av., e. s., 125 ft. n. of Colden-st., 25x100 ..... $1,400
Waldo-av., of R. Dom Neuyck-av., S. D. Fletcher's, 25x100 1,000

Hoboken.

Grand-st., n. s., 25 ft. e. of 1st-st., 25x100 ..... $1,800
Lot No. 22, block No. 46, Coster's estate 400

Greenville.

Seaview-av., lot No. 15, block No. 2, Meroles' map $400

Union Township.

Ferry-st., n. s., lot No. 274, block No. 21, Weehawken County, 25x100 ..... $275
Franklin-st., n. s., lots Nos. 949 and 950, block No. 12, same map, 25x100 400

Bergen.

Avenue E, e. s., lots Nos. 4 and 5, block No. 4, map property Bergen Point, 50x150 ..... $4,000

North Bergen.

Lots Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, block E, map Secaucus City, 125x100 ..... $607
Lots Nos. 9, 10, block E, map Secaucus City, 25x100 300
Lots Nos. 21 to 30 inclusive, block E, map Secaucus City, 250x100 600

West Hoboken.

Jones-st., n. s., lot No. 16, map Bonnefille, 25x100. $187

Weehawken.

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PEREMPTORY SALE BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS OF CAPT. JAS. DUNCAN, DECEASED, OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PREMISES, NO. 12 WASHINGTON-SQUARE, AND 37 STE-AV., UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MESSRS. MILLER, STOUENBURGH & PARKER.

ADRIAN H. MULLER & SON WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 7, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

WASHINGTON-SQUARE, NO. 12—The three-story brick dwelling house, 25 feet 6 inches in front, 50 feet in depth, situated on the north side of Washington-square, between 6th-av. and Thompson-st., with the privilege of a passageway to an alley way on the rear, and known as "Duncan's Court," the Sailors' Snug Harbor Property, for a term of years from the May, 1865, with usual covenants for perpetual renewal, at a yearly rent of $275, payable in quarterly payments. The house is 31 feet in front by 50 feet in depth, with an extension of about 40 feet. Lot 25 feet in front by an average depth of 145 feet.

THE SALE WILL BE PEREMPTORY.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

SALE OF THE UNITED STATES CARNEY'S AND OTHER GROUNDS AT HARPER'S FERRY, WEST VA., AND VICINITY.

ORDNANCE OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, Sept. 24, 1869.

In pursuance of the act approved Dec. 18, 1868, and by direction of the Secretary of War, the property of the United States at Harper's Ferry, West Va., and vicinity, will be sold at public auction, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of November, 1869, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. and continuing from day to day until all is sold.

The value of this property for manufacturing purposes is too well known to render it necessary to describe it herein, but a description of the same is being prepared, and will be sent to persons who may wish it, as soon as it is printed, upon their applying by letter to this office.

The property will be sold in lots. The first will include the Musket Factory, embracing a strip of land running to the western boundary, on the Potomac, the Armory Canal, and water power of the river. The walls of two large buildings are standing on this property, and the foundations of others; and the water wheels, with gearing, and the flumes are in almost perfect order. Three of them are turbines, of the most approved kind, and the others are mostly overshot wheels, of large power.

The second will be the site of the Rifle Factory and water power on the Shenandoah, the buildings upon which have been destroyed, but the canal is in good order.

The third will be the Shenandoah Ferry, with a tract of 48 acres of land on the south, and a lot on the Harper's Ferry shore opposite.

The fourth will be the perpetual right to cut and remove wood from a tract of 1,800 acres mountain land across the Shenandoah.

The fifth will be the right to dig iron ore from a tract of about 7,400 acres of land known as Hunter's Ore Bank, acquired by deed from Henry Lee and others.

The remainder, consisting of houses and lots in the town, will be sold lot by lot.

The government will convey to the purchasers, after payment shall have been made in full, all its right and title to the property, which is believed to be perfect in every case.

The terms of sale, prescribed by law, are a credit of one and two years, the purchaser to give bond and security for the payment of the purchase money; and these terms must be complied with within ten days after the sale.

A map, showing the metes and bounds of the Harper's Ferry property, will be exhibited at the time of sale.

The Government reserves the right to withdraw any or all lots offered, if the bids are not satisfactory.

A. B. DYER,
Brevet Major-General, Chief Ordnance.

NOTICE TO DELINQUENTS.

Persons who purchased lots in Bell, and have not fully paid for them, are notified that if they pay what is due before the day of sale, the lots will be deeded to them, otherwise they will be resold.

A. B. DYER,
Brevet Major-General, Chief Ordnance.

J. Cole, Auctioneer.

ABSOLUTE BREWERS' SALE OF A VALUABLE PROSPECT PARK LOTS, Twenty-second Ward, Brooklyn—27 large lots on PROSPECT-AV. (Middleton-st.), the entire front between 10TH AND 11TH AVS.; also, adjoining the extensive brewery, 10th-st., near the Park. Also 2 lots on Hamilton-st., 64 feet north of Prospect-av. The above will be sold at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 7, at 12 o'clock, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 369 Fulton-st., opposite City Hall, Brooklyn. Maps, &c., at the Office of the auctioneer, No. 369 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

AUCTION SALES.

QUARTERMASTER'S STORES, C. AND G. EQUIPAGE.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18, 1869.

Will be sold at public auction, at Armory-square, on MONDAY, Dec. 6, commencing at 10 A. M., a lot of clothing, camp and garrison equipage, consisting in part of 3,000 sets harness, 3,000 sets harness, 3,000 knapsacks, metallic cartridge boxes, pick-axes, shovels, spades, blankets, bootees, &c., &c. Also, Quartermaster stores, consisting in part of:

10 horses.	8,000 feet oak, ash and hickory lumber.
18 mules.	
27 army wagons.	7,700 feet white pine joist.
300 water buckets.	7,000 feet flooring, new.
	1,400 lbs. scrap iron.

And numerous other articles.

The attention of farmers and others is called to the very superior quality of the mules offered, being selected animals, and are sold because no longer required.

TERMS—Cash on day of sale.

By order of Quartermaster-General.

D. G. THOMAS,
Captain, M. S. K., U. S. A.,
Acting Depot Quartermaster.

Moses Wilkins, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE.—ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, MIRRORS, &c., by Messrs. MOSES WILKINS, will sell at the property of a gentleman removing permanently to Europe:

M. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on FRIDAY, Dec. 10, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the private residence No. 40 West 46th-st., near 6th-av., the entire furniture contained in said house, consisting of elegant carved ebony and gilt suite in Antique satin damask; carved walnut suite, in court tapestry, cabinets, pier and mantel mirrors, rugs and lace curtains, black-walnut dining table and chairs in figured morocco, black-walnut buffet, mirror back, carved ebony and black-walnut side-board, ebony bedstead, bureaus, wardrobes, Armoire à glace, washstands, commodes, lounges, secretaries, mattresses, bolsters and pillows, toilet crockery, linen sheets, blankets, quilts, counterpanes, sheets, without selvets, Brussels and Ingrain carpets, oilcloths, rugs, mats, &c., together with an assortment of fine China and glassware, kitchen and laundry furniture, with which the sale will commence promptly.

Catalogues and permits at No. 3 Pine-st.

EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.

BY T. R. SINTURN, BROWN & BOO, THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 3, at 11 o'clock, within their store:

300 boxes Fresh Grapes, landing ex Alaska.
400 quarter barrels Almeria Grapes, landing ex Alaska.
300 barrels Almeria Grapes.
20 bags Almeria Grapes.
100 cases Smyrna Figs, containing drums.
25 barrels French Chestnuts.
6 cases Turkey Prunes.
Whatever may be the state of the weather.
2,000 boxes new crop Valencia Raisins, slightly damaged.

ART SALE.

BARKER & THEALL, AUCTIONEERS, GALLERY OF ART, NO. 848 BROADWAY.

The second and most important sale of high-class WORKS OF ART, at which prices on the evenings of FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 3d and 4th days of December, when examples of the most eminent artists of the French, German and American schools may be obtained. It will comprise about one hundred and fifty superb paintings, which will be sold without reserve, or higher bid by qualified parties, to the highest or because full by law, and retain their territory for an indefinite time. The following are the items:

Gent' and Ladies' Finger Rings, single stones, one carat weight ..... $5 each
Gent' Pins, single stones, according to the size of the stone ..... $5 to $10
Ladies' Cluster Rings ..... $5 to $8
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NO CLAIMS.—Where six watches are ordered at one time, we send a seventh Watch free. Goods sent by express to be paid for on receipt.

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	Buy	Sell.		Buy	Sell.
Registered, 1881	111¼	111¾	6-20 Coupon, '67.	113¾	114¼
Coupon, 1881	116⅝	116	6-20 Coupon, '68.	113	113¾
4-20 Regis., 1862.	110¼	110¾	10-40 Regis.	106	106¾
5-20 Coupon, '62.	112⅞	113⅛	10-40 Coupon.	106⅛	106¾
5-20 Coupon, '64.	112⅝	113⅛	Gold.	132⅝	132⅞
5-20 Coupon, '65.	111	111	U. S. Cur. Fac.	107⅝	108⅛
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July	113¼	113¾			

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OFFICE OF THE LAKE SHORE AND MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, OHIO, Nov. 29, 1869.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a meeting of the stockholders of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company (including the stockholders of the late "Buffalo and Erie," the "Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula," the "Lake Shore," the "Cleveland and Toledo," and the "Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana" Railroad Companies) will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, in the State of Ohio, on the 29th day of December, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of taking into consideration, and adopting or rejecting an agreement for the consolidation of the Company with the Toledo, Wabash and Western Railway Company, which was entered into by the respective Boards of Directors of said Companies on the 23d day of October, 1869.

GEO. H. ELY, Secretary.

THE GOLD COUPONS OF UNION Pacific Railway Company, Eastern Division, (now Kansas Pacific Railway,) due Dec. 1, 1869, will be paid on presentation, by DARNEY, MORGAN & CO., No. 52 Exchange-place, New-York.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, &C.

The celebrated IMITATION GOLD HUNTING WATCHES, "Collins Metal" (improved Groids) which have been so much in demand during the last four years, and their reputation for time and as imitations of Gold Watches, is now fully established. Also, the celebrated "Collins" Horizontal Watches, $10, equal in appearance and for time to Gold Watches worth $100; Full Jewelled Levers, $25, equal to $150 Gold ones; Full Jewelled Levers, extra fine and superior finish, $30, equal to $200 Gold ones.

We have just commenced making a very fine American Watch, full jewelled, patent lever, chronometer balance, adjusted to heat, cold and position, six ounces heavy weight, equal in appearance and for time to a Gold Watch costing $100.

We charge only $25 for these magnificent watches. Also, Ladies' Watches, in Enamel, Gold and Silver cases, Chains, Celtina Metal, $2 to $5. Also, all kinds of Jewelry, equal to gold, at one-tenth the price.

CALIFORNIA DIAMONDS SET IN GOLD.

We are now selling the celebrated California Diamonds. These are real stones of great brilliancy and hardness, and cannot be distinguished from the genuine stone, even by good judges. They are particularly brilliant and sparkling by artificial light, and retain their luster or because dull by use, and retain their brilliancy for an indefinite time. The following are the prices:

Gent' and Ladies' Finger Rings, single stones, one carat weight ..... $5 each
Gent' Pins, single stones, according to the size of the stone ..... $5 to $10
Ladies' Cluster Rings $5
Ladies' Cluster Earrings $5
NO CLAIMS.—Where six watches are ordered at one time, we send a seventh Watch free. Goods sent by express to be paid for on receipt.

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EIGHT PER CENT. GOLD.

The undersigned, as representatives of the ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY RAILROAD COMPANY, have the honor to offer for sale the

$1,500,000 FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

(PAYABLE IN GOLD)

OF THE

ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY RAILROAD COMPANY,

Bearing Eight per Cent. Interest in Gold, Free of Government Tax, secured by a first and only mortgage on the railway, which runs from St. Joseph to Fort Kearney.

Total length of road, 271 miles.

Distance mortgaged, 111 miles; and at the rate of only $13,500 per mile on a completed road, costing to build and equip more than double the amount mortgaged.

Trustee for Bondholders: FARMERS' LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY OF NEW-YORK.

This line of railroad is the extension of the *Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, with its connections North and East, and the St. Louis and St. Joseph Railroad, with its connections South and East, both lines converging at St. Joseph, and connecting at once with the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad, running West, through Eastern Kansas, into the heart of Nebraska, and connecting with the Union Pacific Railroad at the City of Fort Kearney, making the shortest route known to California and the Pacific States.*

These bonds have thirty years to run from Aug. 14, 1869. Payable at maturity, in gold, in the City of New-York.

The interest is payable in gold on the 15th of February and August in each year, at the rate of 8 per cent., free of Government tax, in New-York, London and Frankfort-on-the-Main, at the holder's option, without notice, and at the following equivalents:

ON $1,000 BOND.

In New-York - - - - -	$40 gold
In London - - - - -	£8 4s. 4d.
In Frankfort-on-the-Main	100 flor.

On $500 Bond, one-half these amounts respectively.

The bonds are in denominations of $1,000 and $500. They are coupon bonds, but may be registered in the owner's name at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, and, by the surrender of the coupons, can be converted into a registered bond, with interest payable to the registered owner.

COMPANY'S CAPITAL STOCK, $10,000,000,

to which nearly $3,000,000 is subscribed and paid up by local subscriptions, which amount has and is being expended on the road.

The Company have 1,600,000 acres of superior land immediately adjoining the line. This was a grant direct from the United States Government to aid the Company in their work, and, at the Government price of $2 50 per acre, has a value of $4,000,000, while the loan is only $1,500,000, *and is the only debt against the Company.*

The issue of $1,500,000 of these bonds is all that can be issued by the Company.

Bonds sent and packages received free of express charge, and marketable securities converted without commission, to parties investing in these bonds. We offer these bonds at the low price of 97 50 and accrued interest in currency, with the reserved right to advance the price without notice.

Pamphlets, maps and information furnished on application.

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Having had all the papers and documents relating to the loan examined by competent counsel and pronounced complete and sufficient, and having personally examined the same, which we find regular and perfect, and having had

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Favorite City of Paris, Wednesday, Steamers, are as follows:
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Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $90.
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NOTICE.—THE STEAMSHIP CITY OF BRUSSELS will sail on Saturday, Dec. 4, at 8 o'clock A. M., punctually, from Pier No. 42 North River. Passengers will require to be on board on Friday evening, or at 6 o'clock on Saturday morning.
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Liverpool	$80	Liverpool	$30
Halifax	20	Halifax	15
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Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
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Tarifa, Wednesday, Dec. 15 Scotia, Wednesday, Jan. 5
Marathon, Thursday, Dec. 16 Calabria, Wednesday, Jan. 5
Siberia, Wednesday, Dec. 22 Tarifa, Thursday, Jan. 6
RATES OF PASSAGE.
By the Wednesday Steamers, gold currency.
First Cabin.....$120, gold. Second Cabin.....$80, gold.
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COLORADO, 3,125 tons.....Dec. 22, at 10 A. M.
NEBRASKA, 3,252 tons.....Dec. 29, at 2 P. M.
MANHATTAN, 3,136 tons.....Jan. 5.
IDAHO, 3,125 tons.....Jan. 12.
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Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $80; Steerage, $30, currency.
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FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.
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One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
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For freight or passage tickets, and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office, on the wharf foot of Canal-st.
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Sailing regularly every Wednesday, from Pier No. 4 North River.
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MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS.....Dec. 15
COLUMBIA, Capt. WM. LAWRENCE.....Dec. 22
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FEMALES.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT YOUNG woman, a situation as nurse; would take charge of a baby from its birth, or take care of growing children and assist with chamber work; best City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 149 West 17th-st., near 7th-av.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION, BY A very skilled woman; understands cooking thoroughly, meats, game, soup of all kinds, pastry, and is a good baker; will assist in washing; good reference; either private family or boarding house. Call at No. 329 4th-av., new No. 238.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS NURSE AND seamstress for young children; would prefer the entire care of a young baby; City and country; a Protestant; notes not received. Can be seen for two days at No. 243 East 31st-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG ENGLISH GIRL, a Protestant, a situation as infant's nurse or nurse to young children; can do plain sewing; no objection to the country; or to travel with a lady. Call at No. 141 West 41st-st.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT YOUNG woman, a situation as laundress or plain cook; will assist with the washing; City reference. Can be seen for two days at No. 111 West 16th-st., between 7th and 8th-ave.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WOMAN, a situation as first-class cook; understands her business in all its branches; is an excellent baker; can milk and make butter; no objections to the country; the best of City reference. Call at No. 49 Marion-st.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECtable young girl to do general housework, or plain cooking and assist with washing and ironing; or would be willing to go as chambermaid in a small private family; has the best City references. Call at No. 116 East 34th-st.

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WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL, A situation in a private family of the chambermaid and waitress; will assist with the washing; has the best of City reference. Call for two days at No. 24 West 30th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.

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MORMON DIFFICULTIES.

ANTICIPATED TROUBLE IN UTAH.

The Mormons Said to be Preparing for a Fight—Orders for the Sudden Departure of United States Troops from this City—Ten Days' Rations to be Taken.

The attention of the War Department has been lately attracted to the fact that the Utah Mormons have been engaged for some time in collecting a formidable camp in the vicinity of Salt Lake City, numbering about fifteen thousand men. It is said that this movement was undertaken for the purpose of being prepared to resist the enforcement of any legislative acts which may be made against polygamy at the approaching session of Congress. It is well known that the Mormons have always bitterly opposed any interference with their peculiar institution on the part of the National Government, and they have frequently asserted that they would not accept any Federal laws tending to the abolition of polygamy. One of the prominent Mormon Elders recently said in a Brooklyn meeting of the faithful that BRIGHAM YOUNG'S people were ready to take up arms and shed blood if necessary, rather than submit to the harsh rule of the Gentiles, or to lose their right to have as many wives as they pleased. He claimed that there was no dissension among the followers of YOUNG in regard to the question of permitting Congress to destroy their doctrines by legislation—that they were unitedly in favor of protecting themselves against any such action, even to the declaration of hostilities. He mentioned that the apprehensions of the Mormons were greatly aroused by the strong anti-polygamy sentiments which were uttered by Vice-President COLFAX during his late visit to Salt Lake City in company with Mr. ALBERT D. RICHARDSON and Governor BROWN, of Illinois. The elder also spoke in reference to the Mormon camp now being organized in Utah, stating that it was to be situated at a place along one of the main routes to the West, and that it was intended to afford both defensive and aggressive advantages.

The leaders of the large force will be selected, it is said, from among those who have enjoyed military experience in Europe or in this country, and who have the confidence of BRIGHAM YOUNG. It is also whispered in Mormon circles hereabouts that the camp will be supplied with a large quantity of ordnance and ordnance stores. The quiet and systematic manner in which the encampment has been formed, the large number of men brought together, and the general tone and spirit of the Mormons' talk give good reasons for supposing that they are determined to protect their cherished institution from danger.

Within a day or two past dispatches have been received from the Secretary of War by Major-General MCDOWELL, commanding the Department of the East, ordering him to have all the spare troops under his command in readiness to march at a minute's notice. The secret manner in which the orders were forwarded to General MCDOWELL, and the speedy way in which they have been executed are regarded by some as an indication that the destination of the troops is Utah, and that they will be used as garrison for the United States forts at that place, thus securing to the Government the means to meet any emergency which may occur by the sudden uprising of the Mormons. It is hinted that this importunt military measure was devised by General SHERMAN. Yesterday General MCDOWELL issued orders to the officers commanding troops stationed at the various forts in New-York Harbor to hold their forces in readiness to move at a minute's notice. He reminded them that the Department force numbers between 1,200 and 1,500 soldiers of all arms. Some of these belong at Fort Trumbull, New-London Harbor, under command of General BRANNAN; others are stationed at Sackett's Harbor, under command of Colonel DUNTEA; but the majority of General MCDOWELL'S troops form the garrisons at Forts Hamilton, Wadsworth and Schuyler, under command of General VOGDES. Only about three hundred men will be enabled to start this morning. They will be provided with two days' cooked rations, besides carrying eight days' uncooked rations. None of the officers, now even in the secret, know the meaning of the mysterious movement, which has been kept a profound secret by the Washington authorities. During yesterday the Quartermaster's and Commissary Departments were busily engaged in preparing for the movement. It is thought that troops will be dispatched from other military departments in a similar manner.

Another story is that the troops are to be sent to Minnesota, to settle the Red River difficulties, but the military officials decline to furnish the secret of the matter to the public.

ELECTION FRAUDS IN BROOKLYN.

Meeting of Citizens in Williamsburg—Extraordinary Speech of District-Attorney Morris—He is Threatened With Violence, and Offered Fortune—He Dodges the One and Spurns the Other.

The adjourned meeting of the citizens of Brooklyn, E. D., was held at the house of Mr. JAMES A. BRADLEY, No. 21 South Ninth-street, last evening, for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the association of citizens for the prevention and punishment of frauds at elections, Judge THOMPSON presiding.

Mr. BRADLEY, of the Committee on Ward Committees, reported as follows:

Thirteenth Ward—George Thompson, George L. Fox, James Bearns, Sigismund Kaufman, William J. Coombs, Melville Hayward.

Fourteenth Ward—Jacob Morsch, John T. Velius, Samuel Wandelt, James Murphy, Edward McDonald, Josiah Holmes.

Fifteenth Ward—Daniel Maujer, Charles M. Church, Soloman Spitzer, Andrew Cunningham, Jacob Zimmer, James Baird.

Sixteenth Ward—John Mills, Henry Oltmans, Theo. Herz, John Raber, Geo. Dahlbender, Edwin S. Ralphs.

Seventeenth Ward—Timothy Ferry, John K. Gitten, Jas. L. Janssen, Wm. M. Meserole, Thos. S. Dick, General Newton.

Eighteenth Ward—Samuel M. Meeker, James Hall, Wm. Cooper, Wm. Comelyes, Chas. J. Debevoise, Jacob Sugdam.

Nineteenth Ward—Wm. B. Hurd, Captain W. Ostrom, Marvin Cross, Geo. H. Fisher, Dr. O. H. Smith, Ambrose Snow.

The report was adopted.

It was resolved that for the present the ward organizations consist of twenty members, equally divided between the parties, to be increased from time to time as the General Committee may decide, and that the members of the General Committee shall be members of their respective ward associations *ex officio*.

It was also resolved that two members of each of the present ward committees of six constitute a general committee until a permanent organization shall have been effected.

District-Attorney MORRIS having been invited to attend the meeting, was introduced by Judge THOMPSON, and said that it was not his object or intention to be a participant in any organization of that kind, but to apply himself in his official position to the correction of the evils of the last election. He reminded them that mere zeal, could not avail in charges of fraud; it was necessary that he should go into Court with witnesses prepared to give evidence as to what they knew, not what they had heard. He advised every citizen who heard a rumor of fraud at the last election to organize himself into a committee of one, and trace, if possible, the rumor out to fact, and having done so, bring that fact to him, and he would warrant them that he would make no unworthy use of it. He was not in a condition to say what the Grand Jury had done or was doing, but they met every evening, every night, and would meet until their business was finished. This much he could say, however, without violating any propriety: What he had only believed before, he now knew beyond all doubt, that there was at the last election in Brooklyn an extensive prearranged system of frauds; that at least three-fourths of the ballots were fraudulently counted; that there was no doubt whatever that JAMES MCLEAN had been elected Street Commissioner, and two Superintendents of the Poor had been counted out whom the people had fairly elected with their ballots. He then said that he had encountered great difficulty in collecting the facts, that he worked almost alone in the matter of preparing testimony, and he had succeeded far beyond his expectation. That the last election was attempted to be carried by fraud on the part of an organized gang was a fact which could no longer be controverted—it was not longer an idle rumor, but an alarming fact, and he intended to see the thing through. If only one in ten of the guilty parties were brought to justice, he could promise them there would be no further frauds at elections in Brooklyn for years.

In answer to a question by Mr. BRADLEY as to whether the Police and citizens had a right to place, or see placed, the tables and the ballots, so that the counting could be seen as they were counted, the District-Attorney said the Police and the citizens had that right. The Police ought not only to know what the rights of the people were, but also their duty in seeing that those rights of the people were preserved.

Captain SNOW asked if it would be right for any body of citizens to select two or three competent persons to remain at the polling places, and see the ballots fairly counted?

The District-Attorney said emphatically it would be perfectly right and proper. He continued that he meant to make such examples that there would be no repetition of such frauds for years to come in the City of Brooklyn. [Applause.] He had been charged with selfish motives in the course he was pursuing. He could tell them that it was not so. If was said he was engaged in that movement in order to get up a place on the Supreme Court Bench. It was not so; he preferred to be where he could bring the scoundrels to justice. If he had been said he wanted to go to Congress—to Washington; that was what good many persons would like, but he could tell them he had no intention and no desire of going to Washington; he was going to stay where he was. All that he had asked of the people was that they would lend him a helping hand in this matter. He was in Kings County and had been brought to aid him to stop the horrible practices of the times—and if he went on with it he would rely on the people. As for him he could tell them that if the people should desert him in this matter, if they should be false to him, he would resign his place. All he desired was, if he wanted office, not to depend upon the Democratic Party for reflection, but to throw himself upon the people. Only furnish him with the facts, and he would show them an exhibit that would be gratifying to the lovers of law and order, and a terror to those who would defraud the citizens of their dearest rights. [Applause.]

The meeting shortly after adjourned.

Appointments and Removals in the Appraiser's Office.

General T. B. HAMILTON has been appointed to the office of Assistant Appraiser of the First Division, rendered vacant by the promotion of General PALMER. General HAMILTON is a young man, and served with distinction in the Union army during the late war. He was advanced from the rank of Captain to that of Brigadier-General.

Mr. PHILLIPS, Assistant Appraiser of the Second Division, has been removed. He was for many years connected with the Appraiser's Department, and was considered one of its most efficient officers. Mr. B. R. ROBINSON, Assistant Appraiser of the Tenth Division, has also been removed.

Co-operative Meeting.

A meeting for forming a general co-operative society, and for erecting a mechanics' institute in this City, was held at the Steuben House last night, Mr. R. BLEMMER presiding. A circular drawn by a committee, and inviting the workmen of this City to join in the enterprise, was read and recommitted. Addresses were made by Messrs. J. W. R. HILL, NELSON W. YOUNG, ALEX. TROUP and DRURY on the benefits to be derived from cooperation, and then the meeting adjourned.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

New-York.

CATHERINE FLOCK, residing in Thirty-first-street, near Second-avenue was brought before United States Commissioner SHIELDS, yesterday, on a charge of having sold a quantity of counterfeit fifty-cent currency stamps to a secret service agent. It was alleged that she was arrested in order to screen other persons who are believed to be deeply implicated in the counterfeiting business. She is represented as a hard-working woman, being the chief support of an invalid husband and several children. She was held for examination.

Some days since the store of T. PARSONS, manufacturer of temperance regalia, at No. 122 Nassau-street, was entered by thieves who stole pieces of silk trimmings and other articles, all valued at $200. Last Wednesday two men, giving their names as FRANKLIN and CLARK, were arrested in New-Haven by Officer MULLEN, of that city, in whose possession a part of the stolen property was found. One of them gave such information as led to the recovery of the remainder of the stolen articles in this City. Other articles supposed to be stolen, were found in the possession of the prisoners. The prisoners are detained in New-Haven to await future developments.

A fire was yesterday found burning briskly in the elevator under the staircase in the building corner of Palisade-avenue and Carl's-place, Yonkers, owned by RICHARD DOWNING and occupied as a grocery store by GEORGE W. STRICKLAND, whose loss is $600 on stock, which is insured for $2,000 in the Manhattan Company. The building was damaged $100, and is insured for $2,000 in the Dutchess County Company. The fire was considered to be of incendiary origin.

The well-known Tom COSTELLO, who keeps the saloon corner of Twenty-fifth-street and First-avenue, was yesterday arraigned before Alderman WARD, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, on a charge of felonious assault. It appeared that in Greene-st, yesterday morning about 3 o'clock, he fired two shots from a revolver at one WILLIAM HALL without hitting him, HALL refusing to make any complaint COSTELLO was discharged.

The St. Nicholas Society, whose annual dinner will take place on the 6th inst., held a business meeting at Delmonico's last evening, over forty members being present. After hearing the Treasurer's report, which was approved, and the election of officers for the ensuing year, the company sat down to an impromptu supper.

At the popular Art Gallery, No. 845 Broadway, BARNES & THRALL will sell at auction to-night and to-morrow night a choice collection of oil paintings and water colors by most eminent European and American artists. The exhibition is open day and evening.

The City Chamberlain has paid into the City Treasury $11,831 78, interest received on public moneys during the month of November; making the sum of $170,655 79 received from this source.

Yesterday morning an abandoned infant was found in the hallway of No. 128 East Fifty-third-street, and another in front of No. 1,180 Broadway. Both were sent to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction.

A truck and pair of horses belonging to E. J. MOTT, No. 37 John-street, were run into yesterday in West-street, near King. The truck was demolished and both horses seriously injured.

MARGARET HAMILTON, aged 24 years, fell yesterday in the street and received a severe injury to the leg. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

An attempt was made early yesterday morning to burn the tenement house, No. 364 Third-avenue, by kindling a fire in the woodhouse, in the basement near the stairway. It was discovered and extinguished before much damage was done.

The counting of the gold and silver in the vaults of the Sub-Treasury was finished yesterday noon, eight days from the time it was commenced. The amount was $75,008,100—the precise sum for which Mr. FOLGER had previously receipted to General BUTTERFIELD. The amount of bullion in the Assay Office transferred to Mr. FOLGER was $4,490,300.

Among the many attractions now offered to our City visitors there are few more worthy than our Art Galleries, where paintings are sold at auction. There is now on view at SOMERVILLE'S, Fifth-avenue and Fourteenth-street, a large collection valued at some $30,000.

ISABILLA GLUEKAUF, aged 4 years, was accidentally suffocated in a vault yesterday at No. 236 Seventh-avenue. The Coroner was notified.

The Receiver of Taxes reports the receipts of $9,915,200 61 during November.

The Board of Assistant Aldermen met at 3 P. M. yesterday, Mr. MONAGHAN in the chair. A donation of $10,000 was made to the Asylum for Foundlings, and the Board adjourned to Saturday next.

JAMES QUINN, aged 31, and a native of Ireland, fell over the bannisters of his residence, No. 11 Elizabeth-street, on the 29th ult., and broke his back. The unfortunate man lingered until yesterday when death ensued. Coroner SCHIRMER held an inquest.

ELLEN HARRIGAN, a girl, died suddenly yesterday at No. 54 Oliver-street, from apoplexy. Coroner SCHIRMER was notified.

FERDINAND KERN, a German, was arraigned before Justice HOGAN yesterday, on a charge of of having stolen a box of jewelry and plate valued at $400 from the possession of ALBERT KINNEY, at No. 446 Pearl-street. The prisoner resided in the same house, and his little daughter, BARBARA, testified that she saw her father commit the larceny. Remanded for trial.

FRANK THOMAS was arraigned before Justice HOGAN, yesterday, charged with having committed a burglary in the office of ALEXANDER STROUSS, at No. 93 Chambers-street, on the night of the 1st inst., when a piece of silesia was stolen. The prisoner confessed his guilt and was committed.

Yesterday morning a horse and wagon belonging to JAMES THOMPSON, of No. 6 Vesey-street, and valued at $400, was stolen in the street. At a later hour one FRANK BURGHER was found in possession of the property, and arrested. When brought before Justice HOGAN he could make no proper explanation, and was remanded for trial.

An unknown woman, aged about 25 years, dressed in a dark striped calico dress, red skirt and white stockings, fell overboard on Wednesday night, at the Chambers-street Ferry, and was drowned before aid could be extended. The remains were sent to the Morgue by order of Coroner SCHIRMER, who will hold an inquest.

The New-York Fruit-Growers' Club met at No. 36 Park-place yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. D. WILLIAMS in the chair. The President gave an account of his late trip to Virginia and the Richmond Fair, and spoke of the hospitality of the people of the South, and said they were far ahead of us in horticulture.

The President of the Union National Bank, EDWARD R. ARTHUR, died yesterday morning at his residence, in this City. He had long been ill, but declined the leave of absence tendered him by the bank directors. He was respected and esteemed by all who knew him. He was in the 64th year of his age.

Brooklyn.

The Kings County Supervisors, yesterday, decided to change the Court of Sessions room for the Supervisors' chamber. This is done on the ground of the insufficient ventilation of the Sessions room.

The examination in the case of the Goodrich-Jones election contest for the representation of the Twelfth Assembly District of Kings County, commenced before the Mayor, at his office in the City Hall, yesterday. Fifty witnesses were subpenaed and only eleven of them were examined. The object of the examination was to prove that Mr. GOODRICH had received the most votes in the Third District of the Twentieth Ward, and then to show what the fraud was. Mr. GOODRICH was voted for in the Third District, and yet he lacks 200 votes of being elected, while the other candidate was voted for in that District, while he was not returned only 90. The examination will be continued at 10 o'clock to-day.

About 5 o'clock yesterday morning a fire broke out in the shed in the rear of No. 27 Pacific-street, owned by JOHN MAHONEY; damage $150. The front house, owned by Mrs. SCANLAN, was damaged to the extent of $300; insured in the Phoenix Company for $500. Some of the adjacent property was somewhat damaged.

At 5 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the chemical works of Mr. C. L. DOTY, on Nelson-street and the Gowanus Creek, caused by the boiling over of a still. The damage amounted to $4,000; no insurance.

Westchester County.

The Board of Supervisors of Westchester County have adopted a resolution in favor of raising $1,500 by tax for the repair of the bridge over the Bronx River at Portchester.

The Agricultural and Horticultural Society of Westchester County have petitioned the Board of Supervisors for an appropriation of $7,000 wherewith to build a floral hall on their fair grounds.

According to a statement made to the Board of Supervisors, by the President of that body, the indebtedness of the town of Morrisania is $274,300, three-fifths of which has arisen from the construction of the Central-avenue and the Southern boulevard. The annual amount falling due each year until the whole is paid will be about $12,000, besides a tax levy of $18,000, authorized to pay interest on outstanding bonds, so that the amount to be raised annually is about $30,000, which is not quite one per cent. on the assessed value of taxable property in the town, viz: $3,421,650.

The business men of Tarrytown have organized themselves into a Merchants' Union Protective Association, for the purpose of averting the losses usually sustained from the operations of these swindlers known as "dead beats." Each member pledges himself not to trust any person for merchandise who has trade with any other member, and failed to pay according to agreement.

At a meeting of taxpayers of School District No. 4, of East Chester, comprising Mount Vernon and Washingtonville, it was voted to raise $10,000 by direct tax upon the taxable property of the district, to erect a small schoolhouse in Tenth-avenue, Mount Vernon; also to erect a small wing to the present schoolhouse on Fourth-avenue, and build a small schoolhouse in Washingtonville.

All the Justices of the Peace of Westchester County have been called upon by the Board of Supervisors to report in writing the amount of fees which they have collected respectively, and what disposition they have made of the same.

Queens County.

In the Queens County Court yesterday morning, the burglars, JOSEPH HART and JAS. BAYNE, were found guilty. Judge ARMSTRONG sentenced HART to imprisonment at hard labor in Sing Sing for twenty-five years, and BAYNE to imprisonment at hard labor for ten years and six months.

At 2 o'clock yesterday morning Officers DELAHANTY and LONG, of Astoria, arrested three men while engaged in robbing the premises of DANIEL M. BIRNS. They gave their names as JAMES FLANAGAN, DANIEL CARROLL and DANIEL O'CONNOR. They were committed to await the action of the Grand Jury.

New-Jersey.

Mayor PEDDIE, of Newark, will to-day probably issue a proclamation offering a reward for the arrest of LEONHARDT SCHUMM, the alleged murderer of CONRAD STAHL.

JAMES PARKER, the conductor of the train from which the man who was drowned at Hackensack Bridge on Sunday night was thrust, has not surrendered himself. He is awaiting the return of his bonds of Justice BRIGGS, to avoid incarceration meanwhile. As soon as the Judge shall have returned he will, it is said, surrender himself and give bail to answer. The body of the drowned man has not yet been recovered. It is supposed to have been carried by the current into the bay.

An old man was yesterday swindled by a young sharper who had gained his confidence, to the extent of $24. They met on the ferry boat, and the old man accompanied the young one up Montgomery-street toward a bank, where the young one proposed to have a check cashed. On the way the couple passed a house near Hudson-street, where the young man said he owed a bill, and he asked the old man to loan him the money until after he had got the check cashed, and so save him the necessity of returning. The request was complied with, and the former disappeared into the house. The old man waited for an hour outside, but of course did not see his young friend again. He is supposed to have escaped through the rear of the building.

The grocery store of CHARLES GARDNER, at the corner of Grove and South Third streets, in Jersey City, was entered by burglars on Wednesday night and robbed of three kegs of butter. Mr. GARDNER, under the impression that some thief was upon his premises, entered the cellar for the purpose of making an investigation. He detected a man in the act of carrying off a keg. The stranger unceremoniously set down the keg, knocked down its owner, and having picked it up again, walked off with it.

JOHN MCDONALD and JAMES CAHILL, two youthful desperadoes, were yesterday arrested in Newark on a number of charges of vagabondism and robbery. The boys have been but recently discharged from the County jail, and are said to be a terror to the neighborhood in which they live.

Several tracts of land in Essex, Passaic and Hudson Counties, belonging to the Newark and Paterson Road, together with 6,000 shares of stock, have been seized to satisfy a claim of $38,000, of MICHAEL DOLAN, a sub-contractor for the construction of the road. The seizures were made in obedience to writs of attachment issued by the Supreme Court at Trenton on the 26th ult., and the property valued at half a million of dollars. The arguments upon the writs will be heard at Trenton to-morrow.

CHARLOTTE HUNAKER, who was fatally injured by a train upon the Central Railroad at Bound Brook, died at St. Barnabas Hospital in Newark on Wednesday.

WENDELIN WEINGARTEN, the driver of SCHALK & CO.'S lager-beer wagon, by which the child THEODORE MORRIS was killed in Jersey City on Tuesday afternoon, has been arrested, and is now in the city prison awaiting the result of the Coroner's inquest.

A special session of the South Classis of Bergen was held yesterday morning in the Second Reformed Church of Newark. Arrangements were made for a number of installations of new pastors of churches within the jurisdiction of the Classis.

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Grand Temple of Honor of the State of New-Jersey, a State Committee of one member from each Temple was appointed, to assist in the circulation of petitions praying the Legislature to grant to each township or ward the privilege to decide for itself the question of license.

A young lady who attempted to alight from a moving train at the Chestnut-street Depot in Newark, on Wednesday night, missed her footing and fell between the train and the platform. She was found beneath the platform severely injured. Her escape from death was miraculous.

The annual Convention of the New-Jersey Woman's Suffrage Association will be held at the Opera House, in Newark, on Wednesday next.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Dec. 2—11 A. M.—Consols opened at 92¼ for money, and 92⅝ for the account. American securities opened quiet and steady. United States Five-twenties, 1862, 84¾; 1865, old, 86¾; 1867, 87¼; The Ten-forties, 89¼. Stocks quiet. Erie Railway shares, 21; Illinois Centrals, 66¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 37.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 2—12 M.—COTTON—The market opens at 12d. for Middling Uplands, 12d. for Middling Orleans, 12¾d. @12¾d. The sales of the day are estimated at 15,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 1s. 9d. per central for California White.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—Refined Petroleum, 1s. 7d. @1s. 7½d. ⅌ gallon. Turpentine, 35s. ⅌ cwt.

ANTWERP, Dec. 2.—Petroleum opened heavy yesterday at 82¾f., and closed firm at 83f. for Standard White.

BREMEN, Dec. 2.—Petroleum opened quiet yesterday and closed heavy and unchanged.

HAVRE, Dec. 2.—Petroleum opened heavy yesterday at 15 marc francs, and closed heavy at 14 marc francs 14 schillings.

LONDON, Dec. 2—1 P. M.—Consols, 92¼ @92¾c. for Money, and 92⅝ @92¾c. for the account. American securities quiet. United States Five-twenties, 1862, 84¾; 1865, old, 86¾; 1867, 87¼; Ten-forties, 89¼. Erie Railway shares, 20¾; Illinois Centrals, 66¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 37.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 2—4:30 P. M.—COTTON—The market closed firm. Middling Uplands, 12¼d.; Middling Orleans, 12¾d. The sales of the day have been 15,000 bales, including 1,000 for export and speculation.

PROVISIONS—Lard, 62s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.

PRODUCE—Refined Petroleum, 1s. 6¾d. ⅌ gallon.

LONDON, Dec. 2—Refined Petroleum, 1s. 7d. @1s. 7½d. ⅌ gallon. Linseed Oil, 32s. 6d. ⅌ ton.

HAVRE, Dec. 2.—COTTON—The market opened firm both on the spot and afloat. Fair Orleans on the spot, 126½f. ⅌ cwt.; Middling Orleans, 120f.

BREMEN, Dec. 2—Petroleum closed firm at 6 thalers 60 grotes.

HAMBURG, Dec. 2.—Petroleum closed firm at 15 marcs banco.

DOMESTIC.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour, 10@20c. per sulling. Flour firm and in good demand. Wheat opened heavy and closed dull and lower; sales at 81c. for No. 2 Spring, 82c. for No. 2 Spring, delivery, 83c. for No. 2 Spring, 84c. for No. 2 Spring, 85c. for No. 2 Spring, 86c. for No. 2 Spring, 87c. for No. 2 Spring, 88c. for No. 2 Spring, 89c. for No. 2 Spring, 90c. for No. 2 Spring, 91c. for No. 2 Spring, 92c. for No. 2 Spring, 93c. for No. 2 Spring, 94c. for No. 2 Spring, 95c. for No. 2 Spring, 96c. for No. 2 Spring, 97c. for No. 2 Spring, 98c. for No. 2 Spring, 99c. for No. 2 Spring, $1 for No. 2 Spring, $1 01 for No. 2 Spring, $1 02 for No. 2 Spring, $1 03 for No. 2 Spring, $1 04 for No. 2 Spring, $1 05 for No. 2 Spring, $1 06 for No. 2 Spring, $1 07 for No. 2 Spring, $1 08 for No. 2 Spring, $1 09 for No. 2 Spring, $1 10 for No. 2 Spring, $1 11 for No. 2 Spring, $1 12 for No. 2 Spring, $1 13 for No. 2 Spring, $1 14 for No. 2 Spring, $1 15 for No. 2 Spring, $1 16 for No. 2 Spring, $1 17 for No. 2 Spring, $1 18 for No. 2 Spring, $1 19 for No. 2 Spring, $1 20 for No. 2 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